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Upcoming Events:



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Friday, September 7th @ 7:45pm





Elul 5767 - Tishrei 5768

Friday, October 5th @ 7:45pm



First Day of Torah School Sunday, September 9th

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High Holiday Service Schedule

SELICHOT-SATURDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 8 Program and Service

7:30-10:00pm

6:30-7:15pm

9:30-12:15am

6:00pm

7:45pm

9:30am-12:00n

EREV ROSH HASHANAH-WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 Special Musical Service and Kiddush 7:45pm

FIRST DAY ROSH HASHANAH-THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Shachrit-Torah Service	9:00am
Sermon/Shofar	11:00am
Children/Youth Programs	11:15am
End of Service/Tashlich 1	1:15pm
The Open Synagogue	3-5:00pm
Tashlich 2 at Mother's Beach	6:30-7:15pm

SECOND DAY ROSH HASHANAH-FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Same Schedule with Babysitting & Junior Congregation K-3 same times as 1st day. Friday Eve Service 7:45pm

EREV YOM KIPPUR-KOL NIDRE-FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Se'udat Hamafseket	3-5:15pm
Erev Shabbat/Kol Nidre	6:00pm

YOM KIPPUR-SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Shachrit-Torah Service	9:00am
Children/Youth Programs	11:15am
Sermon/Yizkor	11:20am
Break	2-3:30pm
The Open Synagogue	3:30-4:45pm
Mincha-Afternoon Service	5:00pm
Neilah-Closing Service	6:15pm
Final Shofar Blast-Break the Fast	7:35pm

SUKKOT

Erev Sukkot, Wednesday Evening, September 26 Shachrit, Day 1, Thursday, September 27 Shachrit, Day 2, Friday, September 28 Sukkot Dinner, Friday Evening, September 28 Erev Shabbat Services, Friday Evening, September 28

SHEMINI ATZERET/SIMCHAT TORAH

Erev Shmini Atzeret, Wednesday Evening, October 36:30-7:15pmShmini Atzeret Shachrit, Thursday, October 49:30am-12:00nMusical Erev Simchat Torah, Thursday Evening, October 46:30-9:00pmSimchat Torah, Friday Morning, October 59:30am-12:15pmErev Shabbat, October 5 - Jewish Stars7:45pm



Rabbi's Message

My wife, Robbie, and I extend to all of you a Shanah Tovah Umetukah, a good and sweet new year! You will find this issue of *The Scribe* filled with lots of information about the upcoming Days of Awe, Sukkot, and Shemini Atzeret/ Simchat Torah. Our Torah School will be starting as well, while some of our other programs are slated to begin in October after the festivals are completely over. In the midst of all these details, I wanted to give you an overview of my goals for the congregation this year. Most everything we are doing is connected to these goals. I would like to share with you my goals for my first year at Temple Beth Shalom and the theme with which I will organize many of my sermons, programs, and efforts in the coming year.

Theme for the Year

I learned from Rabbi Harold Schulweis the value of focusing the congregation on a theme for the year. The theme I have chosen for this year is "The Jewish Practice of Hospitality". It would not be an exaggeration to argue that one of Judaism's most important mitvot is 'hachnasat orchirm - hospitality to guests'. But most of us were not taught this practice either in the home or in the synagogue. The practice of hospitality is one of my beloved mitzvoth. It is at the core of my religious and ethical practice. I will be speaking on this theme during the holidays and will be teaching various aspects of hospitality practice to our children and to adults. My hope is at the end of the year, Temple Beth Shalom will be a more welcoming congregation, admired in the wider community for its 'hachnasat orchchim.' My efforts will be focused on three Goals:

1) Getting to Know each Member:

I hope to get to know the entire membership whether you have been a member for 40 years or you joined in the last few months. I would like to know about your Jewish journey and your interests. I would also like to hear your aspirations for our synagogue community and how we can make it better. I will pursue this goal in various ways: phoning, parlor meetings, Shabbat and festival gatherings, and home visits. Feel free to take the initiative by calling or e-mailing me. But at some point you will hear from me during the next 6-8 months.

2) Build Community by Enhancing Communication:

I have learned that one of the most important things that people in a community want is good communication. What is certainly true in healthy relationships applies to healthy and vital communities. I have already begun this effort by sending out weekly cyber epistle-Igeret min Hahof, distributing weekly bulletins (Hasofer Lashavua) at services and by e-mail, and making my Blog accessible: <u>http://rabbidovblog.blogspot.com/</u>. These are only the first steps in a comprehensive effort to make our congregation more transparent, more user-friendly, and more accessible for every type of learner and seeker. Members are already stepping forward to edit the Scribe, to revamp our website, and to help us improve our Please be patient as we make these marketing. improvements. Please let the office know if you do not have e-mail or a computer so we can get things to you by mail.

3) A More Participatory Religious Life:

I am first and foremost a teaching rabbi. Rabbis are not meant to be priests. I will try to avoid being your surrogate authentic Jew. Religious life becomes dull when others do it for us. It becomes vital and interesting when we have a real stake in it and find a meaningful I try very hard to provide way to participate. opportunities for meaningful involvement in services, study, and tikun olam at the synagogue. I might recruit vou to learn Hebrew, read Torah, lead a service, welcome worshippers, give a Devar Torah, teach a class, blow a shofar, lead a seder, educate children, make a minyan, lead a march, or organize a rally, or lead a mission to Israel. Or you might have an idea to do one of these things or something else. Then I will help you realize your aspiration. Judaism is a very democratic religion based on the idea that everyone can participate and contribute to the spiritual, ethical, and social life of the community. I will bring that type of Judaism to our community in everything I do.

I look forward to sharing with you the awesome and joyful rhythms of this holy time of year. Please feel free to respond to this writing or any

other writing at <u>rabbi@tbslb.org</u>.

Kol Tuv,

Rabbi Dov Gartenberg





President's Message - "Building for the Future"

We are building for the future at Temple Beth Shalom, and that sounds great! It is reality; we are moving forward on all cylinders – from our new Rabbi, Rabbi Gartenberg, to our new Board of Directors, new member families joining our Congregation, goals being identified, members getting involved and offering help and many more great things that are happening. It is an exciting time! I can feel it in the air – I hope you can feel it as well and I pray and hope that it is contagious.

We do have goals for the temple and as I mentioned in last month's scribe article that I would share them with our members during the next several months. One of our goals is to introduce and integrate Rabbi Gartenberg to our temple and to the community. Our Rabbi is doing excellent! He is meeting people – members and non members - doing an excellent job in communicating, be it through e-mails, other correspondence, or one-on-one chats. He is a good listener and I encourage all members to stop by the Temple to meet him and/or attend Shabbat Services. I can assure you that he will be providing us an exciting, spiritual, relevant, and religious experience. You should be looking forward to attending our High Holiday Services.

The Board of Directors has approved the Sanctuary Renovation Project and the project is scheduled to start October 8th, and will hopefully be completed by the end of

December. Bruce Greenberg and his committee have done an excellent job. The project will include new seats, new carpet, making the Bimah accessible to all, painting and more. I want to thank those members who have already made contributions to this important project and encourage all members to make a contribution. All dollar amounts small and large are welcomed and appreciated. This is an exciting project!

The Rabbi and our board members are busy in developing youth programs, kids programs, and other exciting and enjoyable programs that I know our children will really enjoy.

Several new families have joined the temple and we have received many telephone calls of interest. If you know anybody who has an interest in joining our Temple, please call the office with the information and we will be happy to follow up. <u>You</u> are our best advertising and public relations company.

The High Holidays are right around the corner and I look forward to welcoming and greeting you at our services.

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Exciting Times and Building for the Future!

Best Wishes,

Jerry Kaufman

High Holiday Children and Youth Services & Programs

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K-3	11:15-12:45	11:15-12:45	11:15-12:45	
4-7	11:15-12:45	No service	11:15-12:45	
Teen Program	11:15-12:45	No program	11:15-12:45	an Esta
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The teen program will feature two terrific presenters from Temple Beth Shalom. Joe Hess will be telling his history of growing up in Europe during the Holocaust and a story of reconciliation on Rosh Hashanah. Lieutenant Joe Levy of the Long Beach Police Department will be telling fascinating human dramas on Yom Kippur. The two children's junior congregations will feature important prayers and music from the High Holiday services, discussion, and activities. Rabbi Gartenberg will come off the Bimah to visit each group and to spend some discussion time with the teens.

Please RSVP to the Temple Office to hold a space. The program is free of charge.

Upcoming Services

Date/Portion/Festival	Sermon Topic or Program	Service Leaders		
Friday September 7	Theme: Back to School / Shul Musical Service	Shul House Rock & Musicians		
Saturday September 8 Nitzavim -Vayelech	Torah Interacitve: Depth Study of the Torah portion	Rabbi Gartenberg & Cantor Kane		
Selichot Saturday Evening, September 8	Movie and Commentary: Groundhog Day	Cantor Gelman		
Erev Rosh Hashanah Wednesday Evening, September 12	Blasting the Spirit: Shofar X 100 (This is Real Series #5)	Shul House Rock		
Rosh Hashanah Thursday, September 13	New Faces at the Table	Cantor Gelman & Cantor Kane		
Rosh Hashanah Friday, September 14	Limud: To Be Announced	Cantor Gelman & Cantor Kane		
Friday Evening, September 14	This is Real Series #6 Yom Kippur	Rabbi Gartenberg		
Saturday Morning, September 15 Ha'azinu/Shuva	Limud: The Religion that Invented Free Will	Rabbi Gartenberg & Karen Isenberg		
Erev Shabbat/Kol Nidre Friday Evening, September 20	Israel at the Crossroads	Cantor Gelman		
Yom Kippur Saturday, September 21	The Streimel	Cantor Gelman & Cantor Kane		
Erev Shabbat/Hol Hamoed Sukkot Friday, September 28	This is Real #7 Final Sermon in the Series	Rabbi Gartenberg		
Shabbat/Hol Hamoed Sukkot Saturday, September 29	Limud: From the Book of Kohelet (read on Sukkot)	Rabbi Gartenberg & Karen Isenberg		

The Feast Before the Fast: Se'udat Hamafseket

Followed by a "Teshuvah Walk" to the Synagogue Friday Afternoon, September 20, 2007 at 3:00-5:00pm At the home of Parviz Parhami and Karen Weinstein in Bixby Knolls



The Talmud describes the feast of Erev Yom Kippur as one of the most important family gatherings of the year. It later became known as the 'Se'udat Hamafseket-the Interrupting Feast'. Rabbi Gartenberg teamed up last year with renowned Seattle Jewish chef, Emily Moore, to put together a Seder and prepare symbolic foods that would add spirituality to the last meal we eat before the great fast. We are inaugurating the first Temple Beth Shalom Se'udat Hamafseket at the Parhami/Weinstein home in Bixby Knolls near the synagogue. The Seder will be led by Rabbi Gartenberg. After the meal we will do a 'Teshuvah Walk' to the synagogue, a chance to have a heart to heart talk with a loved one prior to the onset of Yom Kippur.

RSVP Information: There is no charge for the meal, but space is very limited. Reserve early!! The firm RSVP deadline is Monday, September 10th. To make a reservation, please send an e-mail to the office at <u>office@tbslb.org</u> with 'Feast before the Fast' in the subject line, or call the office at (562) 426-6413. You will receive an email or call confirming your place, along with more information about the meal.

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Selichot Program and Service

Saturday night, September 8th at 7:30pm

Screening and Discussion of the Movie 'Groundhog Day' followed by Selichot Service.

The Selichot service marks the imminent arrival of Rosh Hashanah with the addition of special penitential prayers. This year, our theme will be: "Hollywood's Portrayal of the Mitzvah of Teshuvah - Repentance." We will watch the Movie 'Groundhog Day' followed by a discussion with Rabbi Gartenberg. A brief and beautiful Selichot service will follow, led by Cantor Gelman.

Evening Schedule: 7:30-7:40 Havdallah, Social Hall 7:40-9:30 Film and Discussion, Social Hall 9:30-10:15 Selichot Service, Sanctuary



No RSVP is necessary. Light refreshments will be served.

Tashlich Service at Mother's Beach

Thursday, September 13 at 6:30-7:15pm*

Marine Park Mother's Beach Appian Way below 2nd St. Meet in the parking lot.



For the first time, Temple Beth Shalom will be holding a Tashlich-Rosh Hashanah Casting Ceremony at the beach at the conclusion of the first day. We will use this beautiful setting to symbolically cast away our sins with pieces of bread, sing songs from the holiday, and watch the sunset of the first day of the Jewish New Year. Join Rabbi Gartenberg for a beautiful, kid-friendly service. Please bring your own bread.

*Time previously announced was 7:00pm. We moved it up to do Tashlich before the onset of the 2^{nd} day of Rosh Hashanah.

The Open Synagogue: An Alternative High Holiday Experience

Thursday, September 13, 2007, First Day Rosh Hashanah. 3:00-5:00pm Saturday, September 21, 2007, Yom Kippur Afternoon, 3:00-4:45pm Open to the Public

Please RSVP by sending your name, address, phone number, and e-mail to <u>rabbi@tbslb.org</u> or call the Temple office at (562)426-6413.

Many people struggle with the High Holiday services, becoming frustrated with prayers they don't understand or relate to. The Open Synagogue is an alternative High Holiday experience that shifts the emphasis to exploring the great spiritual themes of these holy days through interactive study and dialogue. This special program is open to the public and no tickets are necessary. Please note that The Open Synagogue is not a service with the traditional prayers and the opportunity to say Kaddish. We encourage those in the general public seeking such services to obtain seats through the synagogue office.

The two sessions of the Open Synagogue, led by Rabbi Gartenberg, will focus on the most important action item of these days: repairing our relationships with those we have wronged during the past year-Teshuvah. Our task will be to learn Jewish and contemporary teachings and ways of applying the mitzvah (commandment) of Teshuvah. Each participant will be asked to seek out 1-3 persons in his/her life to repair a breech and to overcome a grudge. We will learn how Judaism has taught people to repair and restore relationships. When we gather again on Yom Kippur we will discuss what happened when we approached people and Rabbi Gartenberg will share real stories on Teshuvah successes and failures.



Adult Learning Open House 2007-2008

Thursday, September 6, 7:30-9:00pm in the Temple Beit Midrash

Join Rabbi Gartenberg for an Open House for Adult Learning at Temple Beth Shalom this coming year. The Rabbi will introduce the exciting initiatives in adult learning starting at the Temple this year while you munch on various goodies and enjoy a cold lemonade.

- 1. *Living the Jewish Year*: A Year of Mentoring and Rich Study of Jewish Life which is transforming and building community at the same time.
- 2. Shabbat Hospitality Initiative-Panim Hadashot -Welcoming the New Face: Learning to Share Shabbat in Your Home. The Rabbi will train 10 Temple households to be dynamic Shabbat hosts by bringing his Shabbat teaching to their homes over a year.
- 3. *Talmudic House Calls:* Make your home a Beit Midrash and share with your friends an unforgettable Jewish learning experience
- 4. Hebrew, Haftarah and Torah Cantillation, Jewish History, and Talmud mini courses will be introduced as well.
- 5. Listen to your ideas for courses, teachers, guest lecturers which we might consider in the near and distant future.

Following the introduction, the Rabbi will give a ¹/₂ hour vorshpeis (taste) of what he will be teaching in the Open Synagogue on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

RSVP is optional, but appreciated. Please e-mail the Rabbi at <u>rabbi@tbslb.org</u> or call the Temple office at (562) 426-6413.

USY - United Synagogue Youth Group Forming!

Post B'nai Mitzvah teens of Temple Beth Shalom are invited to a formation meeting of a Temple Beth Shalom USY chapter! There will be a meeting on Sunday afternoon, September 9th from 4:30-6:30pm in the youth lounge with Rabbi Gartenberg. There will be a pizza dinner, an ice cream desert, elect our leadership, calendar some activities, and select a name for the chapter.

Please feel free to call the Rabbi at the Temple at (562) 426-6413 for further information.

Jewish New York Adventure for Teens

Attention Post-Bar/Bat Mitzvah Teenagers and Parents!

New York City Adventure Introduction and Planning Meeting

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Tuesday, September 25 at 7:30-9:00pm in the Temple Beit Midrash



Rabbi Gartenberg and the Temple Beth Shalom Youth Department invite interested kids and parents to attend a planning meeting for a special youth program which will start in early October and will culminate in a long weekend spring trip to New York City. In New York, we will see some of the great sites and experience the rich Jewish life in Manhattan and its surroundings.

The focus of the meeting is to set a time for weekly study and organizing sessions and to agree on a date for a trip in the Spring. The trip will be organized by the students, with the help of the Rabbi, parents, and volunteers. The study will focus on the American Jewish experience, the colorful personalities of Jewish New York, and the cultural contributions of great Jewish artists, writers, activists, Rabbis, and movers and shakers to the cultural capital of the United States. Part of the practical experience will focus on team building, organizing, raising funds, itinerary planning, and sharing our experience with the congregation and the community.

Please bring calendars. RSVP to the Temple office at (562)426-6413 or e-mail the Rabbi at <u>rabbi@tbslb.org</u>.

The Thursday Morning Minyan Needs You!

Please help make a Minyan by coming on Thursday mornings at 8:00am. It is important that we maintain the Minyan, which is of particular relevance for those saying Kaddish in memory of a recently departed loved one or observing a Yahrzeit. A small brunch follows the service.

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Candle Lighting

Friday, September 7 Wednesday, September 12 Friday, September 14 Friday, September 21 Wednesday, September 26 Friday, September 28 6:53pm 6:46pm 6:44pm 6:34pm 6:27pm 6:24pm



Lighting the Candles for Shabbat:

First light the candles. Then spread your hands out around the candles drawing your hands inward in a circular motion three times to indicate the acceptance of the sanctity of Shabbat.

You then cover your eyes and recite the following blessing:

בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קַדְּשֶׁנוּ בְּמַצְוֹתָיו וְצְוְנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל שַׁבָּת.

Baruch ata Adonoy Eloheinu melech ha-olam asher kid'shanu be'mitzvo'sav ve-tzivanu lehadlik ner shel Shabbos.

Blessed are You, G-d, King of the Universe, Who made us holy with His commandments and commanded us to kindle the Shabbat light.

Uncover your eyes and behold the Shabbat lights.

The time of lighting is considered especially propitious for praying to G-d for health and happiness. The prayer is readily acceptable because it is offered during the performance of this great mitzvah of lighting Shabbat candles.

Make sure to light the candles before sunset.

Sukkot is Here!



Help Build the Sukkah! Sunday Morning, September 23

The Temple needs your help! We will be setting up the Sukkah on Sunday, September 23 at 9am. We need as many volunteers as we can get, so please come...it's a fun experience for all!

We also need your help disassembling the Sukkah on Sunday, October 7 at 9am.

Please contact the Temple Office at (562) 426-6413 for further information.

Pick Up Your Lulav and Etrog

If you ordered a Lulav and Etrog, please come and pick up your set on Tuesday, September 25 from 7:30-9:30pm, or during office hours on Wednesday, September 26 from 9-4pm. There will be instructions on how to assemble, use, and take care of your set. Please check in at the Beit Midrash on where you will find the sets. If you cannot come during these hours, the sets will be in the lobby during Thursday and Friday morning Yom Tov services, September 27-28 from 9:30-12:30pm. Of course, we hope you will bring them with you to wave them during Hallel and Hoshanot of the Sukkot morning services. If you forgot to order, please call the office as soon as possible to make a late request.

Need to Update Your Information?

Call the Office at (562) 426-6413 or e-mail us at <u>office@tbslb.org</u>. You also can fax your new information to (562) 426-7824. Please let us know if you have changes, updates, or additions to any of the following:

Contact Information Address Phone Number E-mail Address Yahrzeits

Notify us if you would like to be added to the weekly e-mails from Rabbi Gartenberg and the Synagogue. We can also add your friends to the list (this is a free service of Temple Beth Shalom for the community).

Additionally, please sign up your college student on the Rabbi's College List. Please provide us with your student's name, e-mail address, school, etc.

Tot Shabbat!

Tot Shabbat is a great opportunity for children to feel comfortable in the Temple and for parents to socialize with one another.



The next Tot Shabbat is scheduled for Friday, September 28^{th} at 5:30pm. Please call the Temple Office for further information.

Office Hours & September Closures

Monday – Thursday	9:00am – 5:00pm
Friday	9:00am – 4:00pm

The Office is closed from 12:00n to 1:00pm for lunch

- The office will be closed on Monday, September 3rd in observance of Labor Day.
- The office will close early (at 3:00 PM) on Wednesday, September 12th in observance of Erev Rosh Hashanah.
- The office will be closed on Thursday, September 13 and Friday, September 14 in observance of Rosh Hashanah.
- The office will close early (at 1:00 PM) on Friday, September 21 in observance of Kol Nidre/ Erev Yom Kippur.
- The office will be closed on Thursday, September 27 and Friday, September 28 in observance of Sukkot.

Properties Update...

Brett Wiese has completed his Bar Mitzvah project to beautify and maintain portions of our South patio area. The stairs, landings and vertical supports metal railings were sanded and prepared, coats of primer paint and final paint applied. This not only revitalizes the appearance of the very faded and rusty railings, but also serves to protect them into the future. Flowering plants were added to the South patio landscape planters.

Joseph Roth has completed his Eagle Scout project to improve the East lawn area. New irrigation sprinkler heads were installed and fine tuned, and an electric automatic timer was installed, to keep our main entry large lawn area greener with consistent watering daily during dry seasons. This required extensive digging for new timer wire conduit, and new flush installed irrigation valve and valve box with cover.

Max Kahn has started his Eagle Scout project at the North patio area. Work includes block wall patching and painting, new planter irrigation and automatic timer, adding shrubs to fill in gaps, other plants, and star jasmine ground cover to provide greenery, flowers, and a nice scent. Seating will be installed at this private area to enjoy conversations or time alone in peace. If this project is not already complete by the time of publication, a tentative work day is September 9 from 9am-3pm. If you are interested in helping with donations or labor, please contact Max Kahn.

Thank you to each of you for your hard work and organization skills, and to all the volunteers and donors that supported these projects.

Let's keep the momentum going! If you or someone you know is interested in starting or helping with a building or grounds project, let us now as we are ready to start.

A Special Thank You

Thank you so much for all our friends and to our Temple family for making donations in honor of my speedy recovery. I wish that I could thank each and every one of you, but there are too many. Thank you and G-d bless all of you.

Dr. Rabbi David J. and Yetta Kane



Torah Fund



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wisdom; her tongue is guided by kindness." *From Eishet Hayil*

Torah Fund: The way of the past, present and future. We who have participated in the Campaign and the Special Scholarship Project know the joy of giving a gift that will go on for generations. The training of clergy and lay leaders at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, the Ziegler School of Rabbinics at the University of Judaism, the Schechter Institute in Israel and the Seminario in Argentina not only effects the quality of Jewish Life today but tomorrow and the day after. Those who graduate these institutes touch the lives of many others who go on to effect the lives of those around them.

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom is constantly reaching for the highest standards. When it comes to Mitzvot and Tzedekah we are at the forefront.

For more information please call Ida Bobrow at (714) 892-3403.

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For additional information, please call Joan Davis at (562) 594-9384.



Oneg Shabbat & Kiddush Schedule

Sponsoring an Oneg or a Kiddush after Shabbat services is a very special way to give back to the congregation, while honoring or memorializing a loved one, a birthday, or "just because". If you wish to sponsor an Oneg or a Kiddush lunch, please contact Judy Carey, Sisterhood President at (562)421-2063.

Upcoming Oneg & Kiddush Schedule

Saturday Kiddish, September 8

Sponsored by Jerry Kaufman & Bryna Kane in honor of the anniversary of David Kaufman's Bar Mitzvah

> Oneg Shabbat October 12 & Saturday Kiddush, October 13

Sponsored by Louise Marak in memory of Ben Marak's Yahrzeit

Get Your Entertainment Books Now!

It's that time of year again! The new 2008 Entertainment Books are now available! You can purchase entertainment books for Orange County, Long Beach, or if you need an out-of-town book, we can arrange that too!

Books can be purchased by calling David Kahn at (562) 429-0311, or thru the link at the Temple's website at <u>http://www.tbslb.org</u>. This is an easy way to show your support, as a portion of every sale goes to the Temple.



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Sisterhood Message

L'Shana Tova to everyone! As we begin the New Year of 5768, we dedicate time to reflect on the past year and look ahead to the upcoming months. The New Year means different things to each of us – the ways we recognize and honor the High Holidays and the traditions we share with our family and friends. This year is so exciting with Rabbi Gartenberg at the helm, infusing our decades of Temple Beth Shalom traditions with his wealth of wisdom and global experiences.

A special thank you to everyone who ordered honey for the holidays – we received orders for 121 bottles of honey from over 20 members of our synagogue, and raised nearly \$500 for Sisterhood. This fundraising effort helps Sisterhood to provide the weekly Oneg and Kiddush Luncheons, provide monthly programs, as well as make our donations to the Shul. Honey recipients will receive their New Year gifts in early September direct from the manufacturing farm in Kentucky. May our gifts of honey carry blessings of joy and sweetness to the people we love.

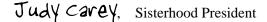
As for the start of our new Sisterhood year together, we enjoyed a wonderful Membership Brunch together. We owe a HUGE thank you to Barbara Ravid and Nora Levy for coordinating such a beautiful event. Thank you also to the Kizner Family for opening their home to Sisterhood. The annual Membership Brunch is always such a wonderful way to start the Sisterhood year off together, focusing on the bonds that bring and keep us together.

We hope that you will join us on September 28th for our annual Sukkot dinner. If you haven't responded yet, please call the Temple office as soon as possible to reserve your seat. In addition to the Sukkot dinner, please mark your calendars for these upcoming dates:

- October 14 Program (to be announced) and General Meeting (If you are interested in working on a small committee to plan the program, please give me a call! Without a programming vice-president this year, we're looking to the Sisterhood membership to take turns identifying and coordinating programs.)
- ✿ October 17 Pan Tournament
- \Diamond November 4 Torah Fund Program
- December 7 Hannukah Dinner

As always, if you have any questions or comments, I can be reached at (562) 421-2063 or via e-mail at judithrcarey@verizon.net.

L'Shana Tova – peace, happiness, and joy to you and your loved ones in 5768.



Torah School Tidbits

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Shana Tovah! With the arrival of the New Year it is appropriate that our students jump right in with learning about the Days of Awe! It is also a time for reflection and new beginnings. Speaking of beginnings, I am pleased to announce the formation of a Community Torah School Fund! Many people have generously asked how they can help with the Torah school even if their children are grown or have graduated. The answer is, of course, to invest in the future of the school so it can continue to fulfill its mission of providing a quality Jewish education for the youth of our community.

The tuition we charge our families does not cover the cost of running the school. Members can help by sponsoring a student in the form of a gift to the Community Torah School fund. Our goal is to grow our school so that our costs are met. We would like to get to the point of being able to sponsor students to visit Israel. In the short term, your gifts will ensure that no child who wishes to learn is turned away because of lack of funds.

Need a Mitzvah?

If you have ideas for our students or need help that our 6th and 7th graders can perform, please call the office and leave a message for Karen or John. Our students need community service hours, and what better way than partnering with our own friends and families.

The 1st day of Torah School is Sunday, September 9th at 9:00 am!

Here is to a Sweet and Happy New Year!



John Williams

Vice-President of Eduction









September 2007

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September Birthdays

September Anniversaries



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Construction Update

Please pardon our dust.....

The Temple Sanctuary Refurbishment Project will begin construction on October 8th, at which time we will no longer be able to hold services in the Sanctuary. Alternative locations on the premises, including the Social Hall and Small Sanctuary, will be used until our newly refurbished Sanctuary is ready to be re-occupied.

The Temple is still looking for your financial help to complete our Refurbishment! <u>All</u> donations are welcome, with a special bronze plaque honoring those who contribute the following amounts:

\$5,000+ Benefactors \$4,999 - \$2,500 Guardians \$2,499 - \$1,000 Sponsors

Please contact Bruce Greenberg, Refurbishment Project chairperson at (562) 437-2000 for further information, or to make your donation to help our dream become a reality!

Bikur Holim – Visiting the Sick

Please contact the Temple office promptly whenever you hear of an illness or hospitalization of one of our synagogue members or a member of his/her family. We rely upon you to bring this to our attention so that the Rabbi may make appropriate contact and visit.

Temple Newsmakers



Congratulations to Elysa Greenberger, Grandaughter of Joe & Bess Cirel on her acceptance to Vassar College in New York.

Mazel Tov to Stephanie and Josh Kaplan, who will receive the ADL Regional Inaugural Young Leadership award at a Brunch on Sunday, October 28th at the Hilton Hotel in Costa Mesa. Please call (714) 979-4733 for additional information.



Yahrzeits for the Month of Elul 18, 5767 – Tishrei 18, 5768

Please note: The observance of Yahrzeit is determined by the Hebrew date, and thus shifts around on the English calendar from year to year.

* Denotes a memorial plaque will be lit

Temple Communication: E-mail, Post Office Mail

Temple Beth Shalom is continuing to modernize its communications to include enhanced use of websites and e-mailing. We are aware that some members do not use computers or are 'computer challenged'. We are sensitive to the needs of our members who cannot currently use these technologies. We would like to help in 3 ways:

- 1. If you do not have e-mail or internet access, please call the Temple Office, so you can be put on the 'snail mail' (regular post-office mail) list in the office. We will send hard copies of important weekly emails, announcements, and notices to people on this list. While people on the 'snail mail' list will not enjoy the instantaneous delivery of information, we will try hard to keep you in the loop.
- 2. In the case of major news, such as a death or an emergency, we will set up a phone tree for those on the snail mail list. Please call the Temple Office to be put on the 'snail mail' list so you can readily be contacted.
- 3. Rabbi Gartenberg and a computer savy member volunteer will offer a workshop on using the public libray to access the internet and to receive and send e-mails, along with some easy to learn computer skills. If you would like to come to a future workshop, call the Temple office at (562) 426-6413 and you will be contacted about it.

Refuah Shlemah: Prayer for a Speedy Recovery

May the One who blessed our ancestors Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah, bless and heal those who are ill. May the Holy Blessed One mercifully restore him/her to health and to vigor. May G-d grant him/her health of body and health of spirit and mind, along with all others who are stricken. Let us say: Amen.

May you Have a Quick & Full Recovery. Your friends and family at Temple Beth Shalom pray for a speedy & complete recovery for:

Lorraine Adler Lillian Bever Glenda Bloomfield Brina Reesha Bat Tibel Rebetzin Betty Feldbin Wolfe Friedman Gedaliah Moshe ben Rachel Miki Goldberg Harold Goldhammer Marjorie Hess Abraham Koretz Frieda Levine Joe Levy Miriam Libby Ann Licht

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Norma Lipp Dorothy Lubin CSM Kenneth L. McGowan Terry Miller Michael O'Connor Dr. Hazzan Jonathan Pevsner Shirley Roseman Deborah Rothenberg Charlotte Ruby Lea Stern Marvin Stern Susan Strichard Laura Tomkin Larry Tuch

Tribute Funds

We welcome you to support Temple Beth Shalom through a contribution to any of our tribute funds. Contributions will appear in our monthly newsletter *The Scribe* on the donations page unless otherwise indicated. Please note that donations made after the 20th of the month will appear in the issue after the coming month. Please contact the office at 562-426-6413 to make a donation, and please indicate the following:

- 1. How would you like your message to read?
- 2. How much you would like to donate beyond the minimum of \$10.00?
- 3. Which fund would you like to contribute to?

Below is a brief description of our tribute funds.

- ✿ Book of Life, Torah Memorial, and Temple Improvement funds are directed to the general fund.
- ☆ Rabbi's Discretionary Fund: Rabbi Gartenberg distributes funds for special needs at Beth Shalom and other charitable projects in the wider community.
- Cantor's Discretionary Fund: Inactive until a new Cantor is engaged.
- ☆ Mah Tovu Sanctuary Enhancement: This fund is dedicated for improvements in the Sanctuary
- Gan Shalom Landscape Fund: This fund supports landscaping and beautification of our grounds.
- ✤ Builidng Fund: This fund helps pays for needed repairs to our facility.
- ☆ Richmond Family Endowment Fund: This fund is the foundation for a Temple endowment.
- ☆ Minyan Fund: This fund helps support our daily minyan.
- ✤ Youth Fund: This fund helps to subsidize youth activities and provides scholarships for teenagers who hope to go to a Jewish camp, USY activity, or Israel trip.
- ☆ Maimonides Fund: This fund only takes anonymous donations and is used exclusively to enable the Temple to provide financial consideration for members who cannot afford dues.
- Torah School Fund: This is a new fund which is dedicated for providing support for our Torah School.

Tributes & Donations

General Fund

Wishing Rabbi David Kane a quick recovery Ed & Elaine Perlstein

Wishing Bill & Ann Millman a happy and healthy 50th Wedding Anniversary Ed & Elaine Perlstein

Facilities Design Fund/ Sanctuary Renovation Fund

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Mazel Tov to Phyllis & Harold Goldhammer on your granddaughter, Marisha's marriage Svlvia Landa

Mazel Tov on Sam Kahn's Bar Mitzvah Sylvia Landa

Thank you to Cantor Glenn & Paula Gelman for always being so thoughtful and caring Sylvia Landa

Thank you Dr. Rabbi David & Mrs. Yetta Kane for being model examples of caring clergy and caring Temple members Sylvia Landa

Thank you to Eva & Eugene Schlesinger for being so consistently caring

Sylvia Landa

Mazel Tov to all our high school graduates. As you prepare to leave for the various areas of higher learning, know we wish you well. We will miss you, your Ruach, your individual talents and your service participation. Come home to see us when you can. Sylvia Landa

Rufuah Sh'lemah to Dorothy Shapiro. Wishing you a full and complete recovery.

Sylvia Landa

Wishing Peggy Feder a full and complete recovery Sylvia Landa

In honor of Rabbi David Kane Dorian Trostler

<u>Book of Life Fund</u>

Birthday greetings to Seena Friedland Moe & Helen Fox

Get well wishes to Dorothy Shapiro Arthur & Gloria Freedman

Wishing Rabbi David Kane a Rufuah Sh'lema; a full and speedy recovery

Sylvia Landa

- In honor of Ed & Elaine Perlstein's 50th Wedding Anniversary Charlotte Ruby
- Wishing Charlotte Ruby a complete and speedy recovery Joe & Bess Cirel

Wishing Peggy Feder a complete and speedy recovery Joe & Bess Cirel

Mazel Tov to Sam Kahn on becoming a Bar Mitzvah Joe & Bess Cirel

Mazel Tov to Heather Norris (Morley) on making the National Dean's List. I'm proud of you! Papa

In honor of Ed & Elaine Perlstein's 50th Wedding Anniversary Max & Harriet Poper

Mazel Tov to Ann & Bill Millman on the marriage of your daughter, Sarah, to Victor *Alan & Susan Flaschner*

Get well wishes to Peggy Feder Joe & Margie Hess

Wishing Rabbi Kane a quick and speedy recovery Eugene & Eva Schlesinger

Happy Birthday to Rabbi Kane. Wishing you many, many, many happy returns Eugene & Eva Schlesinger

Mazel Tov to Maury & Miriam Cohn on your 65th wedding anniversary. May you celebrate many, many more. *Eugene & Eva Schlesinger*

Wishing Peggy Feder a speedy recovery Stuart & Adrienne Green

In honor of Max & Harriet Poper's 52nd wedding anniversary Michael & Dorothy Shapiro

Wishing Peggy Feder a speedy recovery Ned & Barbara Gaylord

In honor of Sam Kahn's Bar Mitzvah Michael & Dorothy Shapiro

Get well wishes to Dorothy Shapiro Ben & Barbara Alhadeff

Mazel Tov to Ed & Elaine Perlstein on their 50th wedding anniversary Joe & Margie Hess

Tributes & Donations

Happy Birthday to Harriet Poper Joe & Margie Hess

Mazel Tov to Max & Harriet Poper on their 52nd wedding anniversary

Joe & Margie Hess

Get well wishes to Rabbi Kane Arthur & Judy Gelb

Wishing Rabbi Kane a speedy recovery *Frieda Rothman*

In honor of the birth of Dorothy & Michael Shapiro's granddaughter Max & Harriet Poper

<u>Torah Memorial Fund</u> In memory of the yahrzeit of Anna Rothman *Frieda Rothman*

In loving memory of Beryl Baines Arvin & Merle Gould

In fond memory of Hyman Isaac Raiklen, beloved husband and father Harold & Shirley Raiklen

In memory of Robin Karfoil Ben & Barbara Alhadeff Arthur & Gloria Freedman Max & Harriet Poper Michael & Dorothy Shapiro Drs. Michael & Wendy Strauss

In memory of the yahrzeit of Sarah Alpert, grandmother of Robert Alpert Bob & Millie Alpert

In memory of Larry Lackman Joe & Margie Hess

In memory of Sal Reyna Geraldine Landes

In memory of the yahrzeit of Mrs. Eunice Dobrofsky *Elaine Warren*

In memory of Ida Bobrow's sister Bernice Patlove Alan & Charlotte Ruby

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In memory of Janet Carey, of blessed memory. The love that a mother gives to her children and loved ones lives on forever. Her wisdom and humor continue to bring us comfort and joy every day. Judy Carey & family

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

In honor of Rabbi David Kane's birthday. You are a wonderful friend and neighbor *The Parhami-Weinstein Family*

Richmond Family Fund

In honor of the birth of Dorothy & Michael Shapiro's granddaughter Ned & Barbara Gaylord

Wishing Rabbi David Kane a speedy recovery Ned & Barbara Gaylord

Wishing Peggy Feder a speedy recovery Ned & Barbara Gaylord

Wishing Mark Perlstein a speedy recovery *Clara Asch*

Mazel Tov to Ethel Richmond on your new family addition Clara Asch

Mazel Tov to Ned & Barbara Gaylord on the birth of your grandchild

Clara Asch

Happy Birthday to Elisa Waltzman Clara Asch

Happy special birthday to Seena Friedland Clara Asch

Gan Shalom Fund/Landscape Fund

Wishing Peggy Feder a quick return to good health *Roz & Ned Bassin*

Mazel Tov to John & Peggy Feder on the arrival of your grandson

Sue & Norman Milkes

Our best wishes to Peggy Feder for your complete and speedy recovery Sue & Norman Milkes

In honor of Max & Harriet Poper's Anniversary Bill & Ann Millman

Tributes & Donations

In honor of Ed & Elaine Perlstein's Anniversary Bill & Ann Millman

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- In honor of Joseph Roth's landscape project Bill & Ann Millman
- In honor of Sam Kahn's Bar Mitzvah Marvin & Jenny Zavatsky
- In honor of Alan & Susan Flaschner's Anniversary Bill & Ann Millman

Ma'Tovu Sanctuary Enhancement Fund

Mazel Tov to Ed & Elaine Perlstein on your 50th Wedding Anniversary

Goldie Krugman Sylvia Landa Max & Harriet Poper

Mazel Tov to Miriam & Maury Cohn on your 65th Wedding Anniversary

Sylvia Landa

- Rufuah Sh'lema to Rabbi David Kane Bill & Ann Millman
- In honor of Sam Kahn's Bar Mitzvah Lee & Diana Page
- In honor of Rick & Ida Bobrow's Wedding Anniversary Lee & Diana Page
- In honor of Alan & Susan Flaschner's Wedding Anniversary Lee & Diana Page
- Happy Birthday Seena Friedland Lee & Diana Page
- Get well soon to Dorothy Shapiro Joan Davis
- Get well soon to Peggy Feder Joan Davis
- In honor of Bill & Ann Millman's 50th Wedding Anniversary Alan & Susan Flaschner
- Get well soon to Norma Lipp, mother of Mark Lipp Alan & Susan Flaschner

Building Fund

Get well soon to Rabbi Kane Joe & Miki Goldberg

Two Prayer Books have been donated in loving memory of our beloved sister, Essie Shifrin Moe & Helen Fox

Office Volunteers

Temple Beth Shalom would like to thank the Office volunteers of the past month:

Ida Bobrow Joan Davis Seena Friedland Sylvia Landa

Volunteers Wanted!

There are plenty of opportunities to volunteer and donate your time and energy to help out the Temple. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Temple office at (562) 426-6413 and someone will contact you to discuss ways for you to volunteer and help the Temple grow.

Shofar Blowing

There will be a High Holiday Shofar Blower Orientation Meeting Sunday, Sept 9th at 3:30-4:15pm in the Temple Beit Midrash with Rabbi Gartenberg.

Did you know...

The Shofar is blown 100 times on each day of Rosh Hashannah. Here is the where the Shofar blasts occur:

- 1. 30 blasts including a Tekiah Gedolah (long blast) after the completion of the Haftarah (the prophetic reading) @ 11:15 am at Temple Beth Shalom.
- 2. 30 blasts while worshippers are indivudally chanting the Amidah of Musaf (the standing devotion during the additional service) @ 12:00 noon.
- 3. 30 blasts at during the Hazarah (repetition) of the Musaf (the additional service) @ 12:30pm.
- 4. 10 blasts and a Tekia Geldolah (long blast) at the end of services @ 1:00pm.

Special Congregational Meeting

Congregational Meeting on Proposal for Sale of North Property.

Wednesday, Sept. 5th, 2007 @ 7:00pm Temple Social Hall

The Board will present to congregants information about a proposed sale of the property to the North of the synagogue. Please plan to attend this important meeting.





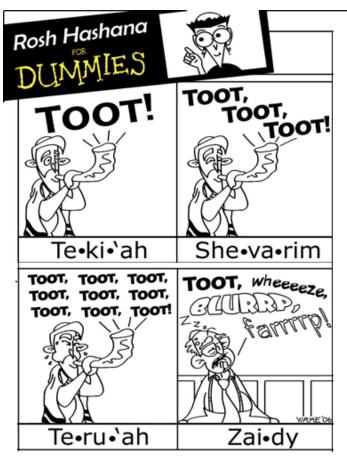


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