



December 2007

Kislev - Tevet 5768

Sisterhood Hanukkah Dinner

Friday, December 7 at 6:00pm

A Hanukkah-themed Tot Shabbat will take place before the dinner at 5:30pm

A Family Hanukkah Shabbat Service with a special guest speaker will follow the dinner at 7:45pm

Sisterhood will be preparing a delicious dinner that will include latkes and other scrumptious Sisterhood delights.

Reservation deadline is November 30th

Call Joan Davis at (562)594-9384 to reserve your spot today!

USY Hanukkah
Dinner

Sunday, December 9
at 5:00pm

There will be dinner, singing with Ha'Mo Robyn, and a children's activity table. There will be a Menorah auction and Menorah lighting. The entire congregation is invited.

To RSVP, please contact the Temple Office at (562)426-6413.



Bat Mitzvah of



Melissa Rachel Zagnoev
December 21, 22



Temple Information

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Schedule of Services

December 7, 8 Shabbat Mikets, [Genesis 41:1 - 44:17](#) Mvarchim Hodesh

- Tot Shabbat Services 5:30-6:00pm with Rabbi Gartenberg and Cantor Friedmann followed by Sisterhood Hanukkah dinner. RSVP necessary.
- Friday Night Services, 7:45-9:00pm led by Cantor Jonathan Friedmann and the Jewish Stars Youth Band. Rabbi Gartenberg will give a five minute teaching: **Hanukkah's Legacy: Dying for God, The Story of Eleazar.**
- Torahrobics: 9-10am: Talmudic Debates Over the Shema.
- Shabbat Morning Services, 9:30-12:00 **USY Shabbat.** Services led by our USYers. Derashot by Zachary Golden and Kayla Kaplan.

December 15, 16 Shabbat Vayigash [Genesis 44:18 - 47:27](#)

- Friday Night Services, 7:45-9:00pm led by Cantor Elisa Waltzman. Rabbi Gartenberg will continue in his series: **Judaism and the Middle Way.**
- Torahrobics: 9-10am **What is the Meaning of the Shema in our Times?**
- Shabbat Morning Services, 9:30am-12:00n led by an ensemble of TBS Members. **Heschel Shabbat:** Rabbi Gartenberg will offer Heschel's Teachings on Prayer.

December 21, 22 Shabbat Veyehi [Genesis 44:18 - 47:27](#)

Bat Mitzvah of Melissa Zagnoev

- Friday Night Services, 7:45-9:00pm led by Melissa Zagnoev. Rabbi Gartenberg will give a Derasha on the portion Veyehi.
- Shabbat Morning Services, 9:30am-12:00n led by Melissa Zagnoev and Cantor Gelman. Melissa will give a Devar Torah.

December 28, 29 Shabbat Shemot [Exodus 1:1 - 6:1](#)

- Friday Night Services, 7:45-9:00pm led by Cantor Glenn Gelman. Rabbi Gartenberg will speak on 'The Inviting Jew' Reviving Hospitality as a Core Jewish Value.
- Shabbat Morning Services, 9:30-12:00 led by TBS ensemble of members. Rabbi Gartenberg will give a traditional rabbinic sermon on the Torah portion, Shemot.

January 4, 5 Shabbat Vaera [Exodus 6:2 - 9:35](#) Mvarchim Hodesh

Rabbi Gartenberg will be away on this Shabbat.

- Tot Shabbat and Dinner for Young Families 5:45-7:15pm Ha'Mo'Robyn leads an energetic service of song.
- Friday Night Services, 7:45-9:00pm led by Cantor Elisa Waltzman. Three outstanding young people from our congregation attended the United Synagogue Youth International Convention in Disneyland with 1000 USYers from around the world. They are going to tell us about this special Jewish experience and what they learned.
- Shabbat Morning Services, 9:30am-12:00n led by Cantor Glenn Gelman. Another presentation from our USY International Delegates.

President's Message

I am so excited that our Sanctuary remodeling and renovation is completed -- on time and within budget! We owe a very big "Thank You" to Bruce Greenberg and his committee and a special thank you to Myrna Simon who was very instrumental in the interior design. Also, a special thank you is in order to Jason Asch of Diamond Foam, son of Mrs. Clara Asch, for donating all the fabric for the Bimah Chairs and Drapes. I pray to G-d that all of us worship together for many years and have many simchas to celebrate with our family and friends in our beautiful sanctuary.

What is our Temple all about? First of all and most importantly, it is dedicated to our religion -- what we believe in and our spiritual and ritual beliefs and practices.

Temple Beth Shalom is known, but should be known for a lot more! Here is a partial list of what our Temple is all about:

1. Seeks active membership involvement
2. Strong Torah school
3. USY program with a youth advisor
4. Tot Shabbat program
5. Active and involved sisterhood
6. Developing new speakers program
7. Adult education
8. Children's music program
9. Newly remodeled sanctuary
10. Only "true" Conservative Temple in Long Beach
11. Large Social hall for parties and banquets
12. Fully equipped Kosher kitchen
13. Temple Web site
14. Temple Scribe newsletter
15. Future remodeling plans
16. TBS-Kids program
17. An experienced Rabbi and Cantors
18. A lot more

I wanted to remind all of us what we are as a *Temple Community* and what we have. As I have said before, we have to grow our membership -- and we will with your help and active involvement. You are our best cheerleaders and advertisers. We have just reconstituted our membership committee not only to attract new members, but to make sure we communicate with our current members and help them get more involved with and better oriented with the Temple.

During the second quarter of 2008, we will have a gala weekend to celebrate our newly remodeled Sanctuary and the installation of Rabbi Gartenberg. The weekend will culminate with a very special banquet-party which will be co-chaired by Barbara Gaylord and Shelley Carl. We need volunteers for this gala celebration, so please call the office to volunteer. Watch the scribe for the dates and details.

We also need volunteers for our Fund Raising Committee and Religious Practices committees. Please call the office to volunteer.

Our Temple is making progress and I hope all of you are as excited as I am and are willing to become more involved with all of our programs, services, and activities.

Best wishes always,

Jerry Kaufman, Co-President

Temple Renovation Update

At the time this article was prepared, the finishing touches were being made to Phase I of our Temple's Renovation Project. Hopefully, you will have had the opportunity to see our "new" sanctuary.

The new seating, carpeting, bimah chairs, accessibility ramp and clean appearance are obvious, but there are some subtle changes which also occurred. There are new stair handrails that have been designed to be much more user-friendly for those who depend on them for support as they are longer, extending beyond the steps. The sanctuary lighting is not only much brighter, but it consumes two-thirds less electricity. You probably noticed the "waves" in the window tinting are no longer present, but now the UV protection from sun damage has been greatly improved. The podiums have been slightly rearranged, permitting more room for bimah use. As far as the sanctuary is concerned, we should be "good to go" for the next several decades!

You also will notice that, thanks to the generous support of our donors, the social hall has also been re-carpeted. By carpeting the social hall now, we were able to obtain carpet from the same dye lot, minimize the seams, and avoid having to install a floor divider between the rooms.

A sanctuary rededication is being planned for early next year and the plaque honoring our major donors will be placed at that time. Details will follow. Until then, we will be tweaking the sanctuary, making a few minor changes and additions in keeping our sanctuary a warm, friendly and inviting place to pray.

Thanks to Bruce Greenberg, Myrna Simon, Susan Flaschner, Bob Schrader, Ron Botwin, Bill Millman, and many others, including our new maintenance manager, Gary Gallery, for the countless hours that made our new sanctuary a reality.

Now, on to Phase II!!

Rabbi's Message

I wish everyone a freilicha Hanukkah. Please join us for our expanded Hanukkah celebration this year. Along with our traditional Sisterhood Hanukkah Dinner on the 4th night of the festival on December 7th, our newly revitalized USY youth group is putting together a delicious dinner on the 6th night of Hanukkah on December 9th with a festival concert featuring the popular Ha'Mo Robyn, Robin Hendricks, who grew up at Temple Beth Shalom. I will also be sharing my original Hanukkah Seder with the congregation on Thursday evening, December 6th, at 7:00pm and on Saturday night, December 8th, with Havurah Sabra. This all adds up to a very festive time. Come partake in any of these activities and add to your Hanukkah joy.

USY International Convention

I am very proud of three of our teenagers -- Zachary Ghodsi, Wesley Freilich, and Elle Michaelson -- who will be attending the USY International Convention at Disneyland starting on December 23rd. They will be joining 1,000 teenagers from around the world for the biggest gathering of Conservative Jewish teens in the world! This is the first Temple Beth Shalom youth delegation to International Convention in many years and is another sign of the vitality of our new USY Chapter, *Chai Lights*. Thank you to all the congregants who have contributed to the youth fund to provide scholarship money for our participants. It is a very impressive sight to see all these kids together. Zachary, Wesley, and Elle will give a report to the congregation about their experience on the Shabbat weekend of January 4th and 5th. I will be taking interested congregational leaders and members, including kids, on a visit to the Convention on Sunday, December 23rd at 4:00pm for the opening session, which I hear is an amazing experience! The convention organizers are also seeking chaperones and doctors and nurses who are willing to do shifts in the infirmary. Please contact our Youth Director, Jolene Ilkay, to participate.

Shabbat Services at TBS

As I settle in, I am learning more about the congregation and its customs on Shabbat. I thank members for their patience as I learn melodies and practices and become a part of the community. I want to use this opportunity to share with you about our Shabbat planning, including the cycle of sermons and teachings and a schedule of our cantorial and service leaders so you know what is happening at our Shabbat services.

Friday Night Services

This year we have two musical services with ensembles every month – Jewish Stars Shabbat and Shul House Rock Shabbat – both led by a member of our cantorial team, Jonathan Friedmann. The Jewish Stars is our youth band which features between 10-12 teenage musicians and singers from our congregation. Shul House Rock is a smaller group of our best adult musicians who present a participatory musical experience once a month. Adding to our menu of Friday night offerings is the beautiful voice of Elisa Waltzman, also a Cantor in training. She will lead Friday evening Services once or twice a month. I will also occasionally lead services on Friday night. I will be preparing a “Shlomo Carlbach”-type of service filled with song and melody when I lead once every couple of months. Don't forget our monthly Tot Shabbat service for young families on the first Shabbat of the month at 5:45pm (5:30 this month because of the Hanukkah dinner). On Friday nights, I will give sermons or teachings which are listed in the Scribe and on our website. I am working on two sermon series at present. The first is called *Searching for a Middle Way*, in which I share my vision of Jewish life and my understanding of Conservative Judaism. The second series is called *The Inviting Jew: the Spirituality of Jewish Hospitality* and will feature a sermon every other month on our congregational annual theme of Hachnasat Orchim - the Mitzvah of Welcoming the Guest. I hope to be adding a monthly Tikun Olam-Social Action Shabbat -- these services will highlight, often with guest speakers, important social and Israel action efforts taking place in our community.

Shabbat Morning

Shabbat morning services are also led by a team of different people with lots of participation from the congregation. Cantor Gelman is scheduled to lead services twice a month, at which he also reads the Torah portion. On other Shabbat mornings, we have an ensemble of leaders and Torah readers, including Rabbi-Cantor Kane, Temple members, and myself.

Starting in December five young members will be joining the TBS Shabbat Morning Leaders Ensemble, reading Torah in different groupings at least once a month and leading services. Hunter Paul, Max and Sam Kushner-Lenhoff, Mikhail Golden, and Jacob Ghodsi were all awarded Joshua Joseph Gelman grants to help them become master Torah readers and to become Shabbat morning leaders. We are grateful to Cantor Gelman for promoting the liturgical education of our young people.

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Rabbi's Message continued

Reisha Golden, our new volunteer Shabbat Morning Torah Reader and Service Leader Coordinator, is available to give out Haftarah, Torah Reading, and service-leading opportunities for interested, ritually-skilled members. If you wish to participate, please contact her at (562)426-4820 or via e-mail at reishagolden1@verizon.net. Please participate – there are many ways you can contribute to the vitality of our services including non-ritual functions.

On Shabbat mornings I will vary my presentations. On the 3rd Shabbat of the month (starting in December) I will be teaching from A.J. Heschel's powerful writings on Jewish prayer from the book, *Quest for God*. On the 4th Shabbat morning of the month, I will give a traditional rabbinic Derasha (sermon). On other Shabbat mornings I will either give a Derasha or will do an interactive teaching on the portion or a Jewish text. The schedule of my topics will be in the Scribe and on the website calendar.

I understand there is a variety of preferences in the congregation concerning the Rabbi's speaking format and choice of topics. I welcome feedback from people on both of these with the understanding that I cannot be all things to all people. A Rabbi is essentially a teacher of Torah and that is how I understand the Rabbi's role when he or she speaks on Shabbat. At the very least, I will strive to offer stimulating, engaging, and thought-provoking teachings which I hope will add great depth to your Jewish knowledge and spirituality and will touch you in the gut and in the heart.

Several persons have asked me to highlight the service leader calendar. Here are the service leaders for the next three months:

Friday nights

12/7	Jewish Stars and Cantor Friedmann
12/14	Cantor Waltzman
12/21	Melissa Zagnoev, Bat Mitzvah
12/28	Cantor Gelman
1/4	Jewish Stars and Cantor Friedmann
1/11	Cantor Waltzman
1/18	Shul House Rock and Cantor Friedmann
1/25	Cantor Waltzman
2/1	Jewish Stars and Cantor Friedmann
2/8	Rabbi Gartenberg leads a Shlomo Carlbach-like service
2/15	Shul House Rock and Cantor Friedmann
2/22	Cantor Waltzman
2/29	Cantor Waltzman

Shabbat Mornings

12/1	Cantor Gelman
12/8	USY Shabbat led by TBS teens
12/15	TBS Shabbat Morning Leadership Ensemble
12/22	Melissa Zagnoev - Bat Mitzvah and Cantor Gelman
12/29	TBS Shabbat Morning Leadership Ensemble
1/5	Cantor Gelman
1/12	TBS Shabbat Morning Leadership Ensemble
1/19	Cantor Gelman
1/26	TBS Shabbat Morning Leadership Ensemble
2/2	TBS Shabbat Morning Leadership Ensemble
2/9	TBS Shabbat Morning Leadership Ensemble
2/16	Cantor Gelman
2/23	Cantor Gelman



Shalom,

Rabbi Dov Gartenberg

Special Friday Night Service – Guest Speaker

Friday, December. 7th at Friday night services
Guest Speaker, Rabbi David Wilfond

"From Darkness to Light: The Miracle of the Rebirth of Jewish life in Russia"

Rabbi David Wilfond is the Director of Outreach and Admissions at the Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem. He lead's HUC's "Rabbinic Infusion Project" which provides Rabbis and Rabbinical students to Reform Jewish Congregations throughout the Former Soviet Union. From 1997-1999 Rabbi Wilfond served as the *only* Reform



Rabbi in the Former Soviet Union and was based in Kiev. He was the founding Rabbi of the Association of Progressive Jewish Congregations in Ukraine. Prior to making Aliyah in 2004, Rabbi Wilfond served as a congregational Rabbi in Boston for 5 years.

Welcome New Temple Members

Miriam Yudin and daughter Elisheva Michaelson

Special Shabbat Sponsor

December 28/29 Oneg & Kiddush - Sponsored by the Gould Family in Honor of Arwin's Special Birthday.

Temple Parlor Meetings

This year we plan to have a series of home parlor meetings to give congregants and community members an opportunity to meet our new Rabbi, Dov Gartenberg, and for our Rabbi to get to know you. Rabbi Gartenberg and our co-presidents, Jerry Kaufman and Mark Lipp, hope to use these parlor meetings to build community, hear hopes for our Temple, and welcome feedback on how we can improve as a congregation. There will be an initial series of 6 meetings in neighborhoods where our members are concentrated. We invite members living in these neighborhoods to host and/or attend. The parlor meetings will take place either on Sunday or Thursday evenings, from 7:00-9:00pm.

Lakewood

Thursday, December 13, 2007

Los Alamitos & Cypress

Sunday, January 20, 2008

Bixby Knolls

Thursday, January 31, 2008

If you plan to attend one of our parlor meetings listed above, please RSVP to the Temple office via e-mail at office@tbslb.org or by calling (526)426-6413. They will provide you with the exact location.

If you would like to host a parlor meeting, please contact our parlor meeting coordinator, Susan Flaschner, via email at saftasue@earthlink.net or by calling (714)848-4493.

Musical Services

Come join us for upcoming services featuring our fabulous Temple Beth Shalom bands, Shul House Rock and The Jewish Stars. Temple Beth Shalom's talented and dedicated musicians will lead joyous, toe-tapping and inspiring services on:



The Jewish Stars Youth Band

Shabbat Services, Friday, December 7, 7:45pm

Shabbat Services, Friday, January 4, 7:45pm

Shul House Rock

Shabbat Services, Friday, January 18, 7:45pm

Our Sincere Condolences

Condolences to Bunny Feinstein and family on the death of her son-in-law, Jonathan Pevsner.

Condolences to Jeremy Dixon and Lisa Metzger-Dixon on the death of Jeremy's mother, Kimberly Metsker.

Torah & Haftarah Cantillation Classes

TWO MINI-COURSES ON CANTILLATION WITH CANTOR-IN-TRAINING ELISA ROSE WALTZMAN

Please RSVP to the Temple Office at (562) 426-6413 if you are interested in the classes listed below.

About the class leader: Elisa Rose Waltzman received both her Master of Music and Bachelor of Music Degrees in Voice from the University of Southern California Thornton School of Music. Elisa has also studied at the Music Academy of the West, and was invited there as the youngest vocalist at the age of sixteen. She has attended the Manhattan School of Music and other programs including the Academia Italiana di Canto in Italy, Songfest and Opera Works. Elisa is studying Hazanut at the Cantorial School of the Academy of Jewish Religion in Los Angeles. She is the daughter of Jerry Kaufman and Bryna Kane and the granddaughter of Rabbi Cantor David and Yetta Kane of Temple Beth Shalom.

HAFTARAH CANTILLATION:

Learn how to chant the prophetic reading on Shabbat and Festivals with master teacher, Cantor in Training, Elisa Rose Waltzman. Basic Phonetic Hebrew Reading skills are required. Students will be given a date to chant Haftarah in the synagogue in February or March. The class is 4 lessons, each lasting one hour and fifteen minutes.

Tuition of \$60. Minimum of 5 students.

Temple Beth Shalom Beit Midrash

Lesson 1- Wednesday, January 9 from 7:00-8:15pm

Lesson 2- Wednesday, January 16 from 7:00-8:15pm

Lesson 3- Wednesday, January 23 from 7:00-8:15pm

Lesson 4- Wednesday, January 30 from 7:00-8:15pm

TORAH CANTILLATION

Learn how to chant from the Torah on Shabbat morning/afternoon and weekday minyan when the Torah is read with Elisa Rose Waltzman. The class is 4 lessons, each lasting one hour and fifteen minutes. Students will be given a date to chant Torah in the synagogue in March.

Tuition of \$60. Minimum of 5 students.

Temple Beth Shalom Beit Midrash

Lesson 1- Wednesday, February 6 from 7:00-8:15pm

Lesson 2- Wednesday, February 13 from 7:00-8:15pm

Lesson 3- Wednesday, February 20 from 7:00-8:15pm

Lesson 4- Wednesday, February 27 from 7:00-8:15pm

Temple Beth Shalom

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ONLY IN AMERICA: FIVE PART RADIO SERIES ON THE HISTORY OF AMERICAN JEWS TO AIR ON 89.9 FM KCRW, December 3 – 7, 2007

Three hundred and fifty years ago, in September 1654, twenty-three impoverished Jews arrived by ship in New Amsterdam after having been expelled from Recife, Brazil. Adding insult to injury, Governor Peter Stuyvesant tried to expel them when they arrived. They refused to leave, successfully appealing Peter Stuyvesant's order to the board of the Dutch West India Company. However, they were not allowed to build a synagogue, serve in the militia, vote or enjoy other rights accorded to New Amsterdam's citizens. This was the less-than auspicious beginning of the Jewish experience in America.

Public radio station **89.9 KCRW-Santa Monica and KCRW.com** will broadcast the series, **ONLY IN AMERICA**, from **Monday, December 3 through Friday, December 7th, from 2 to 3 pm** (pre-empting *Marketplace* and the station's locally-produced 2:30 programs). It will be available as a subscriber premium, in a fully packaged 8-CD set including additional feature content.

ONLY IN AMERICA shows the progress of American Jews from a trickle of poor immigrants to today's thriving community of six million. **ONLY IN AMERICA** is organized around themes, historical periods and individuals that illustrate important aspects of this American Jewish history.

After generations of hard work and struggle, most American Jews now enjoy prosperity and success. Today, Jews occupy high positions in government, the professions, academia, business, entertainment, sports, and the military. **ONLY IN AMERICA** is full of stories and personalities of Jewish women and men, from the present and the past, who have achieved success, including:

- **Irving Berlin**, the son of a cantor, one of the greatest composers of American popular music. His songs were influenced by synagogue and Yiddish music. Also **George Gershwin** and **Harold Arlen**.
- **Levi Strauss**, a Jew from Germany, who started in America as a struggling peddler. He created the riveting method to secure denim pants which are now known around the world as Levi's. This same path from German-Jewish peddler to clothing magnate was taken by the founders of Bloomingdale's, Macy's and Sears.
- **Asser Levy**, one of the original 23 Jews. He became the first Jew in New Amsterdam and North America to have the right to serve in the militia, engage in retail trade and own a home.
- **Rebecca Gratz**, a philanthropist who created the first Jewish Sunday School and the first Jewish orphanage in America.

ONLY IN AMERICA programs come alive with archival sound from historical events; original interviews with people (or their descendants) who made American Jewish history and music from each historical period plus actors reading original documents and diaries. Examples include:

- Actor **John Lithgow** reading **George Washington's** letter to the Jews of Newport, extending the hard won freedoms of the new nation as a matter of right, not as a grant from the state, including religious tolerance, to "the children of the stock of Abraham."
- **Philip Roth** reading an excerpt from his "Operation Shylock," "God Gave Us Irving Berlin, and he gave us White Christmas and Easter Parade."
- Sound clips featuring **The Marx Brothers' A Night at the Opera**, **Al Jolson** belting out songs from *The Jazz Singer* and other Jewish entertainers of the 20th and 21st centuries.
- Readings of letters from **Abigail Franks**, a well-known Jewish colonial woman, to her son about life in New Amsterdam.
- An interview with **Ambassador John Loeb Jr.**, who can trace his lineage back to the colonial Jews.

ONLY IN AMERICA was produced by Larry Josephson, Sara Porath and Sarah Elzas for the Radio Foundation, Inc. with funds from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, The National Endowment for the Arts, Charlton & Susan Buckley; Saul & Stanley Zabar & Zabar's, Edwin A. Goodman, Harvey & Thelma Reisman; Fross, Zelnick, Lehrman & Zissu; The John L. Loeb, Jr. Foundation; and one anonymous donor. **ONLY IN AMERICA** is distributed by The WFMT Radio Network.

Program One (12/3): THE FIRST

Program Two (12/4): THE STREETS WERE PAVED WITH GOLD, The Lower East Side, Part

Program Three (12/5): BECOMING AMERICANS, The Lower East Side, Part 2

Program Four (12/6): WHITE CHRISTMAS, Tin Pan Alley & Hollywood, Part 1.

Program Five (12/7): OVER THE RAINBOW, Tin Pan Alley & Hollywood, Part 2.

**A Mitzvah Opportunity for Temple Beth Shalom Members
From the Temple Beth Shalom Tikun Olam Task Force (TOTF)
Bette Weinberg, Chairperson**

Did you know that there is a food shortage in Southern California? The recent Southern California wildfires and the crop freeze in Central California caused a diversion of corporate donations and government allocations for food banks, creating a serious food shortage. Food resources to meet the needs of the vulnerable during the holiday season are at record lows.

Help Temple Beth Shalom do its part by:

1. Bringing food to the Orange County Food Bank Barrel in the lobby of the Synagogue. Donations may also be dropped off in the office.

Most Needed Items

Canned Fruit	Canned Vegetables
Peanut Butter	Soups
Tuna	Chili
Canned Fruit	Hygiene Products
Macaroni & Cheese	Breakfast Cereal



2. Please join other TBS members to pack boxes of food for needy families in Orange County:
Sunday, December 16, 2007 from 1:00 – 3:00pm
Orange County Food Bank
12640 Knott Street
Garden Grove CA 92841

ORANGE COUNTY FOOD BANK

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Please RSVP with the office at (562)426-6413 or office@tbslb.org by Thursday, December 13th. We need 30 persons minimum.

The Temple Beth Shalom Tikun Olam Task Force (TOTF) is committed to infusing our congregation with a passion for improving the world and promoting social justice by sponsoring educational and social action activities for our members. The TOTF will sponsor special Mitzvah Projects, Tikun Olam Shabbat Services, and other activities that will make Temple Beth Shalom become a vital community contributor to making our local community and our wider world a better place. To participate in TOTF, please contact Rabbi Gartenberg at rabbi@tbslb.org.

The Community Action Partnership of Orange County is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in Orange County by eliminating and preventing poverty. They mobilize and direct resources to assist, educate, and promote self-sufficiency. One of the essential functions of obtaining these goals is the extensive use of volunteers. Volunteers are a key element to bring hope and resources to those who need help the most. Volunteers make a difference by caring and taking action.

Temple Beth Shalom Tikun Olam Task Force RSVP

Event: Temple Beth Shalom Food Packing for the Needy, December 16, 2007 from 1:00-3:00pm

Name(s): _____ Address: _____

Phone: () _____ Email: _____

Return this cutoff to the Temple Beth Shalom Office, 3635 Elm Ave, Long Beach, CA 90807 or fax to (562)426-7824 by December 13, 2007.

You may also make an RSVP by calling the Temple office at (562)426-6413 or e-mail office@tbslb.org

Tot Shabbat!

Friday, December 7 at 5:30pm
Friday, January 4 at 5:45pm



TOT SHABBAT FOR HANUKKAH

Our Temple Beth Shalom preschool families will be able to observe Tot Shabbat on December 7, the 4th night of Hanukkah. Rabbi Gartenberg and Cantor Jonathan Friedmann will lead the short, child-friendly program at 5:30pm in the Sanctuary. Along with the monthly Shabbat celebration, the service will include Hanukkah songs and stories, as well as activities for the holiday. Instead of the usual family dinner, the Tot families are invited to join the congregation in the Social Hall as we all rejoice in the holiday! The Temple Beth Shalom Sisterhood is sponsoring a delicious Hanukkah dinner and the families of our preschoolers will be especially welcome. However, it is imperative that everyone who is planning to stay for the dinner make a reservation in advance. The deadline for reservations is November 30. Cost for adults is \$18, kids 6 to 12 are \$10, and children under 6 are no charge. Please plan to attend the special Tot service, then stay for the dinner with the Temple family.

For information about reservations, call Ann Millman at (562)439-8010. We look forward to seeing you and your friends and family!

JANUARY TOT SHABBAT

Ha'Mo Robyn, Robyn Hendricks, will be returning to Temple Beth Shalom on January 4 at 5:45pm to join in our monthly Tot Shabbat! The children and their families love Ha'Mo Robyn and we are pleased that she will be able to join us in the Sanctuary for our celebration of Shabbat. Please come and bring friends and family to sing, dance, and rejoice in the observance of Shabbat.

As usual, we will be having a child-friendly dinner in the Social Hall following the service. We ask that you RSVP to the Office at (562)426-6413 or to Ann Millman at (562)439-8010 or annmillman@yahoo.com. It is important that we hear from you in advance so that we prepare enough food for dinner. Adult cost is \$5, with no charge for children.

Tot Shabbat is geared towards preschool-aged children. It allows our youngest congregants to experience the joys of Shabbat with their families. The tot service is filled with music, games, and stories and is led by Rabbi Gartenberg, one of our Cantorial Staff, and/or guest leaders. Come meet new people and experience the joy of Shabbat.

TBS★KIDS Group

TBS★KIDS – a new Temple group of youngsters and their parents – held its first event in November and it was a roaring success! We had nearly 100 people attend – including members and prospective members. The kids had a blast singing karaoke, dancing, and playing with other kids, while their parents were kibitzing. There was wonderful Kosher Mexican food prepared by Martha Mata, my secretary. Ask anyone – it was great! The party didn't end until after 11:00 pm, and many new faces joined us and commented on how beautiful our Shul is.

Superbowl Extravaganza **February 3, 2008 at 1:00pm**

We asked everyone at our first event to bring a friend to our next event, February 3, 2008, at 1:00 pm -- a Superbowl extravaganza! We will have a widescreen HD television, hamburgers and hotdogs, a keg of beer and soft drinks. The admission is \$50.00 per family, which includes food and buys a square in the football pool. Assuming we get our anticipated attendance, first prize will be \$1,000, 2nd, 3rd and 4th prize will be \$500 each, while the balance of the pool will help fund our next event. We'll have a jumper and games for kids on the patio. Whether you like football or not, you'll have a terrific time! Email us at TBSKIDS@hotmail.com with any questions and to RSVP.

Sincerely Yours,

Tom & Candice Nantais



Torah Fund

Did you miss the Torah Fund Event? What a wonderful morning! Sisterhood had over eighty people celebrate Marsha Kahn and Mimi Strichard receiving the Ha'ya Olam Award and supporting Torah Fund. The funds raised go to provide scholarships at the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Study in Los Angeles, the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, the Schechter Institute in Israel, and the Seminario Rabinico in Argentina. In addition, the "plus giving Scholarship fund" supports the Rabbinic students during their third year in Israel (neither the student nor their spouse can work while they are in Israel). In case you wondered how all the Rabbis developed such a strong feeling for Israel, the third year does it. After studying and living in Israel, a bond is created -- one that connects them not only to the land, but also to the people. As part of Torah Fund, you help forge this bond. It is a new name to philanthropy, the "Voice of Women".

The theme this year is a "Woman's Voice" referring to the investiture of the first woman Cantor that took place at the Jewish Theological Seminary 20 years ago. Of course this refers to music -- however the "Woman's Voice" is always soaring, especially when working to enable others to reach a goal.

Won't you join the following congregants and add your voice to increase the volume of philanthropy that we can attain. Your gift can be made in honor or in memory of someone dear to you or someone who has made a difference.

Lillian Aarons	Marsha Kahn
Barbara Alhadeff	Monroe Kahn
Clara Asch	Bryna Kane, M.D.
Ida Bobrow*	Yetta Kane
Shelley Carl	Etta Lackman
Judith Carey	Sylvia Landa
Deborah Chankin	Nora Levy*
Miriam Cohn	Sally Manasse
Joan Davis	Wendy Manasse
Yolanda Eisenstein	Lisa & Jeff Mazzarella
Peggy Feder*	Susanne Milkes
Bunny Feinstein	Annie & Michael Natelson
Eileen Fishman	Naomi Norwick
Helen & Moe Fox	Diana Page
Shirley Freedland*	Elaine Perlstein
Bernice Friedland	Harriet Poper
Seena Friedland	Shirley & Harold Raiklen
Judy & Dr. Arthur Gelb	Eva & Eugene Schlesinger
Paula & Hazzan Glenn Gelman	Ronny Schwimmer
Marna Gitterman	Rochelle Shapiro Sieger
Merle Gould	Myrna Simon
Adrienne Green	Wendy Strauss
Rabbi Ilana Grinblat	Mimi Strichard*
Susan & Bruce Greenberg*	Saul Strichard
Marjorie Hess	Eva Toczek
Kathy & Lon Hurwitz	Jenny Zavatsky*
Silvia & David Kahn*	

The * denotes those who also participate in the plus giving campaign.

A Hanukkah Table Full of Stories

Rabbi Gartenberg's Table in the Market: Olive Oil Tasting and Information about Hanukkah Food and Lore

A Collaboration between Wild Oats Market and Temple Beth Shalom of Long Beach



Wild Oats Long Beach
6550 East Pacific Coast Hwy
Long Beach, CA 90803
(562)598-8687

Rabbi Gartenberg and other Temple Beth Shalom congregants will be staffing the Hanukkah Table Full of Stories at the Wild Oats Market to give shoppers an opportunity to learn about the food and lore of the Hanukkah festival. Rabbi Gartenberg has for several years worked with local markets to reach out to independent Jews and to the general public to learn more about Jewish traditions and values. The table in the market gives people an opportunity to converse with a friendly Rabbi and to learn about kosher, festival customs, and anything else they would like to talk about.

The Hanukkah Table at the market also reflects well on our congregation, as people see that we are involved in the community and have an open door to those who are not members. Temple members also have a chance to find out about products they need for their festival gatherings and can also partner with Rabbi Gartenberg in the mitzvah of keruv-reaching out to independent Jews and to the general public. Rabbi Gartenberg brings out the Table Full of Stories before Passover and the Jewish High Holidays as well.

At the table you will find several different examples of olive oils. The olive oils become the focus for sharing Hanukkah traditions and stories with shoppers. Rabbi Gartenberg will also have information about Hanukkah celebrations around the community including those taking place at the Temple and his own original Hanukkah Seder. Oils and breads will be samples of outstanding products carried by Wild Oats.

The times for the Hanukkah table will be:

- ✧ Tuesday, November 27 from 4:30-6:30pm
- ✧ Thursday, November 29 from 4:30-6:30pm
- ✧ Monday, December 3 from 4:30-6:30pm
- ✧ Wednesday, December 5 from 4:30-7:00pm with the lighting of the Menorah for the 2nd night of Hanukkah.

If you are interested in staffing the booth with Rabbi Gartenberg, please contact him at rabbi@tbslb.org or (562)426-6413.



Sisterhood Message

Sisterhood has been so busy the last few months! First, those of you who missed our program in October missed a wonderful presentation about the Federation's recent mission to Israel. Thank you so much to the Kaplan and Freilich families for their thoughtful presentation and information shared about their trip. It was a life-changing mission for each person who made the journey. We learned new things about historical landmarks, as well as about new changes with the landscape and technological advances. Please remember that all Sisterhood programs are open to all Temple and community members, not just Sisterhood members.

Our October Pan Tournament was an overwhelming success! With over 85 players, the Pan Tournament always shows attendees a great time, while raising critical funds for the Sisterhood! Thank you Clara Asch and Marsha Kahn (and your catering crew) for your continued coordination of our Pan Tournaments, the next of which will be held Wednesday, January 16th.

Honoring Temple and Sisterhood members is always a delight. If you were one of the 90+ people who attended the Torah Fund program, you know first hand how special the event was. We honored the many years of support Mimi Strichard and Marsha Kahn have given to the Torah Fund campaign. We welcomed their families and many Temple members who joined us for this special event. This effort would not be what it is without the ongoing commitment of Ida Bobrow, the heart and soul of our Torah Fund campaign. Each year, Ida works tirelessly to fundraise for this cause. Our goal is to raise \$7,500 this year, and we're working very hard to reach this amount. Thank you as well to the many Sisterhood members who worked to provide the wonderful brunch and set such a beautiful social hall environment. Mazel Tov to Mimi and Marsha again on their Ha'ya Olam Awards. Additionally, there were three Simcha donations made to Sisterhood from the brunch that were not able to be read that day:

What a better Simcha than honoring Mimi and Marsha – they truly deserve the honor!

Shirley Freedland

Mimi, enjoy many more joyous occasions! Sylvia Landa, thank you for your thoughtfulness. Thank you to the devoted women of Sisterhood and the Torah Fund.

Emma Ellinoy

In honor of all the women who made the Torah Fund event so special. In honor of Mimi and Marsha, and in honor of David and David for your invaluable help.

Ida Bobrow

Don't miss these upcoming programs and activities from Sisterhood:

- ☆ **Friday, December 7 at 6 pm** – Hannukah Dinner – The Dinner will be preceded by a Tot Shabbat at 5:30 p.m. in the synagogue. To make a reservation, please call Joan Davis.
- ☆ **Sunday, December 16 at 10 am – 12noon** – Sisterhood Wardrobe Party at Chico's! See full details in the flyer in this Scribe edition.
- ☆ **Sunday, January 13 at 9:30 am** – Save-the-Date! Sisterhood Program and Meeting to be Announced
- ☆ **Wednesday, January 16** – Pan Tournament – if you would like more information on the Pan Tournament and are not on the mailing list, please contact Clara Asch or Marsha Kahn to be added.

As a reminder, one of the great ways we earn money for our synagogue is through the eScrip program. If you have not registered your credit and grocery cards with eScrip, please take five minutes to visit the website at <http://www.tbslb.org/escrip.htm> to renew or sign up. We receive thousands of dollars each year as a result of our participation. It's simple and safe, and doesn't interfere with any other programs such as Upromise. Please call Joan Davis if you have any questions.

If you have any questions or comments about Sisterhood, I am happy to hear from you via calls or emails – (562) 421-2063 or judithrcarey@verizon.net.

Judy Carey, Sisterhood President



SISTERHOOD OF TEMPLE BETH SHALOM

You are invited to join us for a very special and
PRIVATE shopping event at Chico's!

Sunday, December 16th, 10 a.m. to Noon
"Chico's Wardrobe Party"
The Shops at Rossmoor
12217 Seal Beach Blvd.
Seal Beach, 90740

Chico's will generously donate 10% of all sales on this date to Sisterhood. If you are planning to shop after noon, please mention Sisterhood at the cash register, and we will still receive the 10% donation. If you are a Chico's Passport member, you will still receive your 5% discount.

Continental breakfast will be served. Chico's carries women's sizes 4 – 16, in addition to a fabulous array of must-have accessories.

We look forward to shopping with you on
December 16th!

USY Chai-Lights

Jolene Ilkay is the new Temple Beth Shalom Youth Director. She is a student at Long Beach State University and is a former president of the Beach Hillel. Jolene grew up in the San Diego area. She just returned from Israel, where she spent a semester at Tel Aviv University. She is majoring in nutrition. She brings great energy, compassion, and a deep commitment to Judaism. We are thrilled to have her as our Youth Director. Feel free to contact Jolene with any questions you may have at (858) 922-4702 or joleneilkay@yahoo.com.



USY International Convention

There's only one USY International Convention...and this year, it's in Anaheim, California! From December 23-27, 2007, all roads will lead to the beautiful Anaheim Marriott, located in beautiful Anaheim, CA, as it becomes the official International headquarters of USY.

There's nothing like the USY International Convention! That's because International Convention brings together over 1,200 USYers from all across North America for five nonstop days of programs and fun. Whether you are looking for social action, ruach sessions, or summer program reunions, there's something for everyone at USY International Convention.

This December, USY will head to the real "OC" in Anaheim, California and enjoy all of the excitement that the city of Disney has to offer! Located just steps from the Disneyland entrance, the beautiful Anaheim Marriott will provide luxurious accommodations for our visit. Each day at Convention will be more exciting than the day before as we explore the educational theme of *Tzedakah* through guest speakers, multimedia events and interactive workshops. You'll have a chance to give back to the community through Social Action projects and spend a full day at Disneyland! There will also be special sessions for members of the Heschel Honor Society, 613 Mitzvot Club and HeChalutzim, as well as workshops focusing on leadership skills and key issues for Jewish teens.

Three Temple Beth Shalom USY Chai Lights teens will be attending the convention: Zachary Ghodsi, Elle Michaelson, and Wesley Freilich. This is our first youth delegation to attend USY International in many years. Thank you to the members who donated to the youth fund to enable our kids to attend and to be vastly enriched by this experience.

Rabbi Gartenberg and Jolene Ilkay will also participate in International as part of the staff. Rabbi Gartenberg will be teaching and Jolene will be part of the onsite counseling staff. We are looking for chaperones and members in the health profession to help staff the infirmary. Please contact Jolene if you are interested in helping.

Members of Temple Beth Shalom may join Jolene Ilkay, our Youth Director, and Rabbi Gartenberg at the Opening Ceremony of the Convention on Sunday, December 23rd at 4:00pm. The opening ceremony is quite amazing and worth witnessing. They will be inviting some of our younger USYers to join them so they can anticipate going to international in coming years. Please contact Jolene Ilkay if you would like to join them.

Meetings, Dinner, & Broomball – 1st Sunday of every Month

Our next USY event is December 2 – we will be having a board meeting at 6:00pm at Glacial Gardens in "the meeting room", followed by a general chapter meeting with a Pizza dinner at 7:00. After the dinner (at approximately 7:45pm) we will have another Broomball Event until 9:00 pm. Please contact Jolene

USY Shabbat

The USY Shabbat is on Saturday morning, December 8th at the Temple, where our USY members will be leading Shabbat morning services.

USY Hanukkah Dinner

December 9th at 5:00pm is the USY Hanukkah dinner – everyone is welcome! There will be dinner (Latkes, Salad, Pizza, and pasta), singing with Ha'Mo Robyn, and a children's activity table. Tickets for Adults are \$12 with an RSVP (\$15 at the door). Children ages 6-11 are \$8, while children under 5 are free. There will be a Menorah auction and Menorah lighting. To RSVP, please contact the Temple Office at (562) 426-6413. All proceeds go to Temple Beth Shalom Youth Fund, which is used for scholarships for our members and other fun activities.

Looking for some Late Nite fun? It's -
 Temple Beth Shalom Chai Lights USY
BroomBall!

at Glacial Garden Skating Arena

3975 Pixie Ave, Lakewood, CA 90712 (562) 429-1805

Sunday, December 2nd

6:00pm – Board Meeting
 7:00pm – Chapter Meeting & Dinner
 7:45pm – Broomball
 9:00pm – Pickup
 RSVP to Youth Advisor Jolene Ilkay
 (858)922-4702 or
joleneilkay@yahoo.com



*You don't have to know
 how to skate - BroomBall
 is played in tennis shoes!*

Bat Mitzvah of Melissa Zagnoev

Melissa Rachel Zagnoev will celebrate her Bat Mitzvah on December 22, 2007. Melissa is a sixth grader at Rogers Middle School in Long Beach. Melissa goes to the Temple Beth Shalom Community Torah School and is involved in the Temple Beth Shalom youth group. Melissa is looking forward to playing a roll in the Jewish community. Her mitzvah project is having a shoe drive for children and adults in Africa – the reason being the stories told by a friend who had gone to Africa who relayed how the Africans couldn't afford shoes. Right then and there Melissa knew what her mitzvah project was going to be.



Melissa enjoys helping to lead services. Some of her hobbies are basketball, singing, dancing, and drama. She has performed in several different plays – she started acting at the age of three. Melissa also is into fashion and wants to be a model or fashion designer when she grows up. Melissa is an outgoing person and is not shy to meet new friends. The Zagnoev family hopes you come to share in this simcha.

Torah School Tidbits

Hanukkah Happenings in the Torah School!

Candles should be arriving before the first night of Hanukkah, so if you didn't place your order yet, please see Karen Isenberg or John Williams to see if you can get extras!

Claim the Prize at "Claim Jumper"

Help the Torah School raise money by coming out to dinner

Tuesday December 11 at

The Claim Jumper Restaurant, Long Beach

6501 E. Pacific Coast Hwy

(corner of PCH and 2nd Street)

(562)431-1321

Bring the flyer (included in this Scribe or on the table in the Social Hall) to the Claim Jumper between 5:00pm and 10:00pm, have some great food, and Claim Jumper will donate 10% of your total bill as proceeds to the Torah School! What could be easier!?

1. Bring the Flyer
2. Eat some food
3. The Torah School gets money
4. Enjoy a Happy Hanukkah!

Todah Rabah and have a wonderful holiday.
B'Shalom,

John Williams

Vice-President of Education



Refuah Shleimah: 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	Norma Lipp
Lillian Bever	Dorothy Lubin
Rebetzin Betty Feldbin	Terry Miller
Leah Flaschner	Milton Mozen
Moe Fox	Michael O'Connor
Wolfe Friedman	Penina Bat Avraham
Miki Goldberg	Shirley Roseman
Harold Goldhammer	Helen Rostas
Marjorie Hess	Marion Solovei
Molly Isenberg	Bernice Stern
Abraham Koretz	Marvin Stern
Frieda Levine	Susan Strichard
Ann Licht	Laura Tonkin

The Scribe

The Scribe deadline is the 10th of the month for publication in the next month's issue. Articles received after the 10th of the month cannot be guaranteed for publication. We apologize for any errors or omissions. If you make us aware, we can run a correction in the next issue.

Do you like the Scribe in color? We are looking for donors to help offset the publication costs of the new Scribe. If you would like to sponsor a full color issue for \$500, please contact the Temple Office. The Scribe would like to thank an anonymous donor for sponsoring the December scribe.

Sisterhood Pan Tournament

Wednesday, January 16

Temple Beth Shalom Social Hall



For further information or to make a reservation, call Clara Asch at (562)594-8817 or Marsha Kahn at (714)894-9197.

December Birthdays

Hanukkah Seder with Rabbi Gartenberg

Thursday, December 6 7:00-9:00pm
Rabbi's Gartenberg's Home

Rabbi Gartenberg will share his original Hanukkah Seder at his home on the third night of Hanukkah. The Seder features the use of 8 different oils and breads to convey the varied messages and issues that emerge from the holiday. The Seder is a multi-sensory experience with song, taste, smell, touch, and beautiful visual imagery to convey the unique meaning of Hanukkah. The Seder is geared for adults (and young adults). To attend a Seder, please contact Rabbi Gartenberg at rabbi@tbslb.org or call him at the synagogue at (562)426-6413. Space is limited so call soon.

Thank you Volunteers!

USY Menorah Making Project and Broomball Evening	Miriam Yudin Lorrie Frielich
TBS Kids	Tom & Candice Nantais Miriam Yudin Jeff Bernstein Shari Delaney
Completion of the Sanctuary	Bruce Greenberg Myrna Simon
El Dorado Neighborhood Gathering	Walter & Ronny Schwimmer

USY Shabbat Service

Shabbat morning, December 8, 9:30am-12:00n

The newly revived USY Chai Lights Youth Group will lead Shabbat morning services at Temple Beth Shalom. The USY group will be responsible for the entire service including the Torah reading, Divrei Torah (teachings), and leading the worship. We are very excited about this USY Shabbat and look forward to more during the year. Support our budding youth group by coming to services!

December Anniversaries

Get Your Entertainment Books

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 only at the Temple's website at <http://www.tbslb.org/enterbooks.htm>.

This is an easy way to show your support, as a portion of every sale goes to the Temple.





Yahrzeits for the Month of Kislev 21 – Tevet 22, 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



Tributes & Donations

Facilities Design/Sanctuary Renovation Fund

In Honor of Mimi Strichard and Marsha Kahn receiving Ha'ya Olam Awards

Joan Davis

In Honor of Bill & Ann Millman's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Joan Davis

In Honor of Jared Lipp's Bar Mizvah

Joan Davis

In Honor of Arthur & Gloria Freedman's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Joan Davis

Mazel Tov to Mimi Strichard and Marsha Kahn on receiving Ha'ya Olam awards

Arwin & Merle Gould

In Honor of Bill & Ann Millman's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Goldie Krugman

In Memory of Marvin Zavatsky's sister, Minnie Scharlin

Goldie Krugman

Congratulations to Mimi Strichard and Marsha Kahn on receiving the Ha'ya Olam award

Max & Harriet Poper

Book of Life

Refuah Shlemah to Eva Schlesinger's sister, Helen Rostas

Rick & Ida Bobrow

Mazel Tov to Mimi Strichard and Marsha Kahn on receiving Ha'ya Olam awards

Sylvia Landa

In Honor of Arthur & Gloria Freedman's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Hugh & Eva Toczek

In honor of Mimi Strichard, our dear friend, with love and congratulations on receiving the Ha'ya Olam award

No Name Havurah

Get well wishes to Michael O'Conner & Mary Long

Arthur & Gloria Freedman

A special thank you to our Temple friends for their support and condolences to Marvin on the loss of his sister Minnie Scharlin

Marvin & Jenny Zavatsky

In Honor of Arthur & Gloria Freedman's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Rita & Ann Beals

In Honor of Mimi Strichard and Marsha Kahn on receiving Ha'ya Olam Awards

Max & Harriet Poper

Happy Birthday to Goldie Krugman

Max & Harriet Poper

Happy Birthday to Ann Millman

Max & Harriet Poper

Mazel Tov to Arthur & Gloria Freedman on your Golden Wedding Anniversary -- may you celebrate many more in good health

Hal & Shirley Raiklen

Happy Birthday to Joan Davis

Max & Harriet Poper

Congratulations to Ben & Barbara Alhadeff on your 35th Wedding Anniversary

Max & Harriet Poper

Sylvia Landa -- many happy returns on your Birthday and all those to come

Hal & Shirley Raiklen

Warmest congratulations to Mimi Strichard on your Torah Fund award and a belated Happy Birthday

Hal & Shirley Raiklen

Congratulations to Arthur & Gloria Freedman on your 50th Wedding Anniversary

Hal & Shirley Raiklen

In Honor of Joan Davis' Birthday -- may all your birthdays be glorious

Hal & Shirley Raiklen

In Honor of Mimi Strichard and Marsha Kahn on receiving Ha'ya Olam Awards

Cheryl, Craig, & Adriana Feinberg

Torah Memorial Fund

In Memory of Shelley Carl's father, Sy Opper

Bonnie Lowenthal

Condolences to Marvin Zavatsky on the death of your sister, Minnie Scharlin

Max & Harriet Poper

Condolences to Shelley Carl on the death of your father, Sy Opper

Max & Harriet Poper

In Memory of Faye Ringgold

Arthur & Gloria Freedman

In Memory of the Yahrzeit of my husband

Bernice Friedland

In Memory of Sy & Beverly Karfiol's daughter, Robin Karfiol

Joe & Miki Goldberg

In Memory of Shelley Carl's father, Sy Opper -- our greatest sympathy on your loss

Eugene & Eva Schlesinger

In Memory of Marvin Zavatsky's sister, Minnie Scharlin

Arwin & Merle Gould

In Memory of Shelley Carl's father, Sy Opper

Cheryl, Craig, & Adriana Feinberg

In Memory of Ben Marak

Cheryl, Craig, & Adriana Feinberg

In Memory of Craig Landa

Cheryl, Craig, & Adriana Feinberg

In Memory of Louise Katz

Cheryl, Craig, & Adriana Feinberg

Lighting the Hanukkah Candles

One candle is added to the menorah each night. The first night, you light only the shammas (the one at a different height) and one Hanukkah candle. By the eighth night, you light all of the candles. Candles should be added to the menorah from right to left (like Hebrew writing). The shammas candle is lit first. While holding the shammas candle, recite (sing) the blessings below.

After reciting the blessings, use the shammas to light the Hanukkah candles from left to right (newest to oldest). Candles should be left burning until they go out on their own.

Blessing over Candles

ברוך אתה יהוה *Baruch atah Adonai*
 אלהינו מלך העולם *Eloheinu melech ha-olam*
 אשר קדשנו במצותיו *Asher kideshanu b'mitzvotav*
 וצננו *Vitzivanu*
 להדליק נר של חנוכה. *L'hadlik ner shel Chanukkah*

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe, who has sanctified us with His commandments and commanded us to light the lights of Hanukkah. (Amen)

Blessing for Chanukkah

ברוך אתה יהוה *Baruch atah Adonai*
 אלהינו מלך העולם *Eloheinu melech ha-olam*
 שעשה נסים לאבותינו *Sheh'asah nissim la'avoteinu*
 בימים ההם *Ba-yamin ha-heim*
 בזמן הזה. *Ba-z'man ha-zeh*

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe Who performed miracles for our ancestors in those days at this time

Shehecheyanu (first night only)

ברוך אתה יהוה *Baruch atah Adonai*
 אלהינו מלך העולם *Eloheinu melech ha-olam*
 שהחיינו *shehecheyanu*
 וקימנו *v'ki-y'manu*
 והגיינו *v'higiyanu*
 לזמן הזה. *lazman hazeh*

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe who has kept us alive, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this season (Amen)

Shabbat Hospitality Initiative

Last Call for Participants in Rabbi Gartenberg's Shabbat Hospitality Initiative

One of my goals in coming to Temple Beth Shalom is to instill and strengthen in our members a love for the mitzvah of 'Hachnasat Orchim'-hospitality to guests. I want to invite members to participate in the TBS Shabbat Hospitality Initiative-SHI. Here are our aims for SHI:

- We seek to expand the number of people in our congregation who offer and receive guests for Shabbat meals in their homes and dining rooms.
- We seek to develop a strong core of those who love to perform the mitzvah of Hachnasat Orchim- seeking out guests and making our homes truly hospitable.
- We seek to enhance in our people the knowledge of and skills on how to lead the Shabbat Seder and meal traditions including both Friday night and Shabbat afternoon.
- We seek to offer people an opportunity to learn new zemirot, Sabbath table singing, and enhance the 'zemirot culture' in our synagogue
- We seek to employ creative ways of studying Torah and conducting meaningful Shabbat 'table talk' at our Shabbat meals
- We hope that SHI will serve as a havurah- a fellowship circle and a clearing house for ideas of those engaged in the mitzvah of 'Shabbat hospitality'.

To accomplish this goal I invite interested members to join in the Shabbat Hospitality Initiative-SHI. What does the commitment entail?

1. Coming together for a monthly Shabbat meal in the homes of participants on Shabbat afternoons starting in December and concluding in August 2008.
2. Host one of these meals at your home. Rabbi will join each hosting household over the year. If you do not keep a kosher home, the Rabbi will help you to learn how to host a kosher friendly meal at your home. If you live far from the synagogue, the Rabbi will come to your home regardless.
3. Share your traditions and practices of Shabbat hospitality with other participants as well as learning new ideas from each other and the Rabbi. If you do not have these traditions, this is the ideal forum to incorporate them into your home.
4. After our year of learning and sharing Shabbat together, each household will commit to hosting a monthly Shabbat meal (Friday night or Shabbat afternoon) at your home with guests from the synagogue and in the broader community.

The first SHI Shabbat meal will be:
 Shabbat Saturday afternoon, December 15, 2007 4:00-6:30pm
 Rabbi Gartenberg's home in Los Cerritos neighborhood

If you are interested in participating in the program, please contact Rabbi Gartenberg at rabi@tbslb.org prior to the 15th of the month. Six member households have signed up so there are only a few more openings to participate.



Hanukkah Dinner Sponsored by Sisterhood

Friday, December 7, 2007 at 6:00pm
(Hanukkah-themed Tot Shabbat at 5:30pm)

Sisterhood will be preparing Jenny Zavatsky's famous meat loaf and latkes, along with vegetarian and pasta options.

COST: \$18 for adults, \$10 for kids 6-12, 5 and under eat free

Family service will follow at 7:45pm

RESERVATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30

NOTE: Only PAID reservations guarantee you a seat. All reservations must be mailed to Joan Davis at the address listed below. We are accepting requests to be seated with a specific person or people. We will try to honor, but cannot guarantee, all requests.

NAMES: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

SPECIAL SEATING REQUEST: _____

# OF EACH ENTRÉE(S)	# OF EACH
_____ MEAT LOAF	_____ ADULTS X \$18 = _____
_____ VEGETARIAN ENTRÉE	_____ KIDS 6-12X \$10 = _____
_____ PAST	_____ UNDER 5 FREE
	TOTAL = _____

Please make checks payable to: **TBS SISTERHOOD**
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December 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 15 of Kislev No Torah School	26 16 of Kislev TBS Cultural Arts-Communal Affairs Task Force @7:30pm	27 17 of Kislev Torah School @4:15pm The Hanukkah Table at Wild Oats @4:30pm Living a Jewish Life Class @7:15pm Hebrew Lhadassah @8:20pm	28 18 of Kislev	29 19 of Kislev Morning Minyan @ 8am The Hanukkah Table at Wild Oats @4:30pm Youth Commission meeting @ 7:00pm	30 20 of Kislev ★ Torah School Shabbat Evening service @7:45pm 4:26p Candle lighting	1 21 of Kislev <u>Parashat Vayeshev</u> TorahRobics @ 9am ★ morning service @ 9:30am 5:29p Havdalah
2 22 of Kislev Torah School @9am USY Chai-Lights Board Meeting @6pm USY Chapter Meeting, Dinner, & Broomball @ 7pm	3 23 of Kislev The Hanukkah Table at Wild Oats @4:30pm	4 24 of Kislev <u>Hanukkah: 1 Candle</u> Torah School @4:15pm & School Family Seder @5:30pm Living a Jewish Life Class @7:15pm Hebrew Lhadassah @8:20pm Make Your Table a Holy Gathering Place with Rabbi @8:20pm	5 25 of Kislev <u>Hanukkah: 2 Candles</u> The Hanukkah Table at Wild Oats @4:30pm	6 26 of Kislev <u>Hanukkah: 3 Candles</u> Morning Minyan @ 8am The Rabbi's Hanukkah Seder @ 7pm	7 27 of Kislev <u>Hanukkah: 4 Candles</u> Tot Shabbat Service @5:30pm Sisterhood Hanukkah Dinner @6pm ★ Jewish Stars Shabbat evening service @7:45pm 4:26p Candle lighting	8 28 of Kislev <u>Parashat Miketz</u> <u>Hanukkah: 5 Candles</u> TorahRobics @ 9am ★ USY-led morning service @9:30am Hanukkah Seder with Havurah Sabra @5:30pm 5:29p Havdalah
9 29 of Kislev <u>Hanukkah: 6 Candles</u> Torah School @9am USY Hanukkah Dinner & Ha'Mo Robyn concert @ 5pm	10 1 of Tevet <u>Rosh Chodesh Tevet</u> <u>Hanukkah: 7 Candles</u>	11 2 of Tevet <u>Hanukkah: 8 Candles</u> Torah School @4:15pm Claim Jumper Fundraiser Living a Jewish Life Class @7:15pm Hebrew Lhadassah @8:20pm Make Your Table a Holy Gathering Place with Rabbi @8:20pm	12 3 of Tevet <u>Hanukkah: 8th Day</u> Education Commission meeting @ 7:30pm	13 4 of Tevet Parlor Meeting in Lakewood @7pm Morning Minyan @ 8am	14 5 of Tevet ★ Shabbat evening service @7:45pm 4:27p Candle lighting	15 6 of Tevet <u>Parashat Vayigash</u> TorahRobics @ 9am ★ morning service @ 9:30am Shabbat Hospitality Initiative Opening Third Shabbat Meal @4pm 5:30p Havdalah
16 7 of Tevet Torah School @9am Sisterhood Chicos Fundraiser @ 10am	17 8 of Tevet	18 9 of Tevet Torah School @4:15pm	19 10 of Tevet <u>Asara B'Tevet</u>	20 11 of Tevet Morning Minyan @ 8am TBS Board Meeting @7pm	21 12 of Tevet Bat Mitzvah of Melissa Zagnoev ★ Shabbat evening service @7:45pm 4:30p Candle lighting	22 13 of Tevet <u>Parashat Vayechi</u> ★ morning service @ 9:30am 5:33p Havdalah
23 14 of Tevet Torah School @9am USY International Convention Opening Ceremony @4pm	24 15 of Tevet	25 16 of Tevet	26 17 of Tevet	27 18 of Tevet Morning Minyan @ 8am	28 19 of Tevet ★ Shabbat evening service @7:45pm Kiddush/Oneg in Honor of Arwin Gould's Special Birthday 4:34p Candle lighting	29 20 of Tevet <u>Parashat Shemot</u> ★ morning service @ 9:30am 5:37p Havdalah
30 21 of Tevet	31 22 of Tevet	JANUARY 2008 1 23 of Tevet	2 24 of Tevet	3 25 of Tevet Morning Minyan @ 8am	4 26 of Tevet Tot Shabbat Service w/ Ha'Mo Robyn @5:30pm ★ Jewish Stars Shabbat evening service @7:45pm 4:39p Candle lighting	5 27 of Tevet <u>Parashat Vaera</u> ★ morning service @ 9:30am 5:43p Havdalah

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