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Shabbat and High Holy Day Services

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, (29 ELUL 5773)

8:00 p.m. - Erev Rosh Hashanah Service

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 (1 TISHRE 5774)

Rosh Hashanah (First Day): 8:30 a.m. - Rosh Hashanah Early Morning Service 11:15 a.m. - Rosh Hashanah Late Morning Service 2:45 p.m. - Young Children's Family High Holy Day Service 4:15 p.m. - Tashlich Service (Elm Bank) 5:30 p.m. - Rosh Hashanah Afternoon Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 (3 TISHRE 5774)

10:00 a.m. - Rosh Hashanah Second Day Service 7:15 p.m. - Shabbat Shuvah Service

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 (3 TISHRE 5774)

Torah: Ha'azinu, Deut. 32:1-52 8:30 a.m. - Shabbat Morning Minyan 9:00 a.m. - Torah Study 11:00 a.m. - Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah: Lily Altman

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 (10 TISHRE 5774)

6:45 p.m. - Kol Nidrei Early Service 8:45 p.m. - Kol Nidrei Late Service

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 (10 TISHRE 5774)

8:30 a.m. - Yom Kippur Early Morning Service 11:15 a.m. - Yom Kippur Late Morning Service 2:00 p.m. - Yom Kippur Teen Service 2:00 p.m. - Young Children's Family High Holy Day Service 3:00 p.m. - Yom Kippur Afternoon Program with Rabbi Sonsino 3:00 p.m. - Yom Kippur Afternoon Program "Sharing Our Jewish Journeys" 3:45 p.m. - Afternoon Service: Yizkor, Neilah, Havdallah

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 (14 TISHRE 5774)

7:00 p.m. - Erev Sukkot Celebration and Service

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 (15 TISHRE 5774)

7:00 a.m. - Sukkot Morning Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 (17 TISHRE 5774)

6:15 p.m. - Shabbat Evening Service

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 (17 TISHRE 5774)

Sukkot Shabbat Chol Ha-Moed, Numbers. 29:23-29:28 8:30 a.m. - Shabbat Morning Minyan 9:00 a.m. - Torah Study 11:00 a.m. - Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah: Spenser Goff

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 (21 TISHRE 5774)

5:45 p.m. - Erev Simchat Torah Service Consecration Service (K, 1, 2 & 3 graders)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 (22 TISHRE 5773)

7:00 a.m. - Simchat Torah Morning Service (Yizkor will be Read)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 (24 TISHRE 5774)

6:15 p.m. - Shabbat Evening Service

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 (24 TISHRE 5774)

Torah: Beresheet, Gen. 1:1-6:8 8:30 a.m. - Shabbat Morning Minyan 9:00 a.m. - Torah Study 11:00 a.m. - Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah: Jack Idelson

RABBI'S MESSAGE

One of the running conversations of this summer has been how early the High Holy Days are this year. In many of my recent encounters, soon after the catch up about time on the Cape or kids at Camp, vacations in New Hampshire or in a much-more-quiet Needham, have we spoken about Rosh Hashanah's early arrival. Those who most firmly embrace precision will quickly remind us that the Holy Days arrive at the same time every year: the first day of the Hebrew month of Tishre. But we who live our lives in several temporal currents - secular and sacred - academic and professional - can feel the difference.

I, for one, happen to love this time of year – no matter when it falls in relation to fall. In our temple community, we experience a warm 'homecoming' as we reunite after the separation of summer. The apples, honey, the image of the Book of Life, the shofar's sound - inspire all of the senses and are rich with meaning. In the Jewish calendar, there is nothing else like Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Where all other holidays are tied to a sacred story or to a historical event, the Holy Days are tied to an idea: that we can change and grow. No matter the past, as we enter a new year, we have the ability to create a new beginning. No matter the difficulty and the hurt, healing is possible. Things can be better. We can be better.

To help us, the High Holy Days offers us sources of strength - the sweetness, the warmth, the ancient and contemporary wisdom, the community, and, despite

Rabbi Jay and Emily Perlman would like for you to please save Saturday, October 12, 2013 as our daughter Liana Ruth Perlman becomes a Bat Mitzvah. Our morning service will be followed by a festive community Kiddush!

our all-too-busy, all-too-fast-paced world, the precious opportunity for reflection. In one Hasidic story, on the day before Rosh Hashanah, a Rebbe sees a man rushing down the street towards the synagogue. The Rebbe asks him, "Where are you running



to?" The man answers, "I am the leader of prayer in my community and I have so much to do to prepare the service!" The Rebbe responds: "My son, the service is the same as it was last year. Better you should take the time to prepare your soul – to prepare yourself."

May these days of holiness inspire us to make the most of this season of renewal. May we find strength as we make decisions to bring into greater alignment who we are and who we aspire to be. And may we seek to do all that we can to ensure that the coming year is sweet for all those that we love.

Emily, Liana, and Jonah join me in wishing you a heartfelt Shanah Tovah!

Volunteers Needed for **Family Table Distribution**

on a monthly basis:

Great experience for the whole family helping others in the greater Boston area. Contact: Nancy Krieger: 781-444-2032

npkmk1@gmail.com.





I hope that you enjoyed the summer and the long days and slower pace that it sometimes brings. Our temple year officially started on July 1 and our Board began planning for the year with a half-day retreat in June, followed by Board meetings in July and August. We used this time, in part, to assess the progress that we had made during the preceding 12 months relative to the goals that we set a year earlier and to prioritize what we want to accomplish over the course of the next year. Drawing upon input from the congregation's Leadership Council (comprised of committee chairs, arms presidents, officers, past presidents, professional staff and Board members) and advice from our professional staff, the Board again adopted goals for 2013-14.

These goals represent the Board's assessment of the highest priorities for the congregation. They do not represent everything that is important to us, nor everything upon which we will be focusing our attention in the months ahead. It is my hope that we will make substantial progress towards these goals this year so that other deserving objectives can receive prioritized attention next year. Many of the adopted goals build from those about which I wrote in the *Scroll* in September 2012. I would like to share them with you, and invite any questions or suggestions you may have.

Goal #1: Finalize the congregation's strategy for meeting its future building needs and commence the process to secure the funding. We have made tremendous progress since last year, soliciting congregant input through parlor meetings, assessing building options and developing a recommendation, and undertaking a feasibility assessment to gauge our financial ability to move forward. This year, we anticipate completing the financial assessment and making a final decision on how best to move ahead with our Mikdash initiative!

Goal #2: Strengthen our relationships with congregants through outreach, conversation and connection. The essence of Temple Beth Shalom is community. It is the relationships that we create and build with one another. I believe that if our community is to continue to grow stronger, it will be because we are building stronger connections with one another. Our Member Relations Committee will be introducing an array of new strategies for fostering meaningful connections over this year.

Goal #3: Refine Mayim based on first year experience. Last year we implemented a ground-breaking new approach to elementary learning. It enjoyed many successes of which we are proud. As with any complex new endeavor, we were able to identify some opportunities for refinement.

We will be making those adjustments this year under the leadership of our new Director of Elementary Learning, Rachel Happel.

Goal #4: Research and develop a strategic plan for making Social Justice a component of congregational life. We are retaining this



goal from 2012-13 because we still have opportunity to make progress in this area and because it speaks to part of our congregational vision statement and to a Strategic Plan priority.

Goal #5: Implement the Board's plan to ensure the congregation's ability to cover its operational costs during FY14 and FY15. Last year the Board focused its attention on developing balanced budgets for the following two years while seeking to limit increases in dues and tuition. While it was successful in doing so, the focus this year will be on ensuring that the strategies we developed are effectively implemented.

Goal #6: Conduct a comprehensive assessment of the member commitment and tuition schedules. It has been at least several years since TBS undertook a comprehensive assessment of our strategy for defining member commitment (dues) levels and tuition. We'll take time this year to perform just that assessment.

Goal #7: Implement strategies to foster an environment for healthy work and healthy living for TBS personnel. Our most treasured resources are the clergy, educators and other professionals who serve our community. Accordingly, we want to create an environment that is supportive of both excellent work and healthy, balanced lives. We'll work in partnership to determine how we can best achieve that goal.

I believe that this list of seven goals represents appropriate priorities. They have been thoughtfully considered and discussed. Our success in collectively achieving the goals will strengthen our congregation and allow us to take additional steps towards who we aspire to be – as individuals and as a community.

Before I close, let me note that while it is part of our TBS culture to always be identifying where we want to improve next, there is so very much that is already truly wonderful about Temple Beth Shalom. We have a congregation that is blessed in so many ways. For those who feel connection with and within our community, there are deep experiences of meaning, peace, joy, and love. If you aren't experiencing as much connection as you would like, please email me at <code>mbailit@bailit-health.com</code>, so that we can schedule a few minutes to talk, and I can try to help you experience the best that being a part of TBS has to offer.

With sweet New Year wishes to you and those for whom you care most,



DESIGN CONCEPT

Over the past 15 months, many of us have already come together as a community in conversation about - and commitment to - the creation of our Mikdash - our sacred space at Beth Shalom. Following a thorough assessment of our needs done in partnership with our architects Finegold, Alexander and Associates, we considered the deficits in our current space, our Mission, and the design possibilities to our worship, learning, celebration and professional engagement space needs.

PARLOR MEETINGS

From summer 2012 through spring 2013 we gathered at parlor meetings. Many congregants opened their homes as extensions of our temple home, while others gathered here at TBS to share information about our *Mikdash* project. Throughout this period the design concept underwent many revisions, based on expert counsel of attorneys and real estate professionals, site considerations, anticipated costs, and of course our congregants' ongoing discussion and feedback.

FEASIBILITY

In May, 2013, we moved into a feasibility phase to assess our community's ability to financially support this project. During this still-ongoing process, members of our lay-led Feasibility Team will ultimately meet with over 100 families to discuss our "Mikdash Building Design Vision." We believe that this vision, housed on the site of our current historic location, meets our community's needs - doubling our current square footage and providing exciting new spaces and building feature for Temple Beth Shalom in the 21st century. The feedback from those participating has been very enthusiastic.

MID-SUMMER GLEANINGS

As of August 1, the feasibility team met with 70 families. (These families represent less than 10% of the

congregation, with the majority in our congregation remaining to participate in our campaign outreach.) The results of those meetings are as follows:

35 families responded to our feasibility requests offering projected giving ranges totaling between \$600,000 and \$750,000

24 of our families, moved by the design vision and the inclusive process we have undertaken, generously made financial donations totaling \$4.4 million.

and thus far we have raised \$1.25 million in legacy giving which will be used to meet future Temple needs.

This is extremely exciting as we have not yet formally begun our community campaign.

TIMELINE

We'll continue with our feasibility conversations into the fall, synthesizing feedback and information on our projected communal support of Mikdash. Simultaneously, consultation with our architects, legal and real estate advisors will help to finalize our design.

HIGH HOLY DAY BLESSINGS

At this pivotal time in our community, and at this time of shuvah (returning and reflecting,) we are all called to consider our connections - and our potential connections - with our TBS community. We each have a home here, and we each have a role to play in building the best TBS community we can.

- We have the security that in a time of hardship, loss, or joy, there is a sacred community that stands by
- We have the blessings of a home in which to hold rituals and mark milestones, and beloved clergy and professionals to guide us along these paths.
- We have the privilege of listening ears of fellow congregants and caring spiritual leaders - when we come with large life questions about how the world works, how to make sense of tragedy, how to affect large social change.
- We have the gift of an inspirational, entrepreneurial, creative, and engaging culture.
- We have the privilege of knowing that we are a part of something bigger than ourselves - of a community that is greater than the sum of its parts.

As we prepare to look back at the transformational year behind us, and consider our inscription in the Book of Life for the year to come, may we embrace a call to build our Mikdash so that in it, we can dwell, thrive, grow and live in what is holy.

> L'Shanah Tovah, Beth Pinals Mikdash Chair



As well, families over 65 are now considering legacy gifts,



FUN, FRIENDSHIP, FUNDRAISING

If your resolution for 5774 is to have more fun, make new friends and/or raise funds for our Temple community and beyond, then Sisterhood is the place for you. The Sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom is a great place to begin your journey of involvement with TBS, to reengage in the Temple community, or to enter a different doorway into our Temple home. We would love for you to join us, for we are truly stronger together.

NEW THIS YEAR:

Women Who Lunch: If you work in Boston, are connected to your Blackberry 24/7 and want to meet other TBS women, then join us for **Women Who Lunch**. There will be more details with dates and locations in a future *Scroll* article and on the TBS-Sisterhood website.

Chanuakh Celebration at Sara Campbell Clothing Store in Wellesley: December 2. Buy something for yourself, sip some wine along with tasty hors d'oeuvres and a portion of the proceeds of clothing sales supports Sisterhood's tzedakah projects.

College Night with a Jewish Lens: February 6, 2014. Learn about the college selection process through a Jewish lens. Discover how your child and you can find out what Jewish life is like on a campus and what options for Jewish engagement are available.

So where do the FUNdraising dollars get distributed? We allocated our funds last year as follows:

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Temple Beth Shalom	\$1	3,200
Women of Reform Judaism's YES FUND	\$	1,400
The Children's Room	\$	1,200
Youth Program - KMZ - sister congregation		
in Israel	\$	600
Project Lachma - Food Pantry in Israel	\$	600
TZEDAKAH TOTAL	\$17,000	

Save The Date

Sisterhood's Annual Membership Dinner
Thursday, October 17

Here are just some of the women who are helping lead many of Sisterhood's activities this year. Please contact any of these women about specific programs or with any questions you have.

Marsha Moller - President

Aimee Bierman - 1st Vice President

Gail Lustig - Treasurer

Karen Zeiger - VP Membership

Lisa Shapiro - VP Programming

Barb Pack - VP Programming

Susan Patkin - Membership Secretary

Jane Blauvelt - Recording Secretary

Roberta Gerson - Corresponding Secretary

Kate Basch - Membership Committee

Elisa Grebber - Leadership Chair

Marcy Hirschen - Board Member

Magda Schmalz - Board Member

Janice Epstein - Board Member

Diane Novick - Board Member

Jane Spigle - Board Member

Lisa Channen - Immediate Past President and

Membership Dinner

Bonnie Littman - Rummage

Linda Mesnik & Susan Patkin - Spirituality Retreat Co-chairs

Lori Tenser Stern & Mary Ann Duchna-Savrin - College Night with A Jewish Lens

Elise Miller & Amy Willis - Women's Seder

Alison Davis - Social Action

Emily Aransky - Technology Communications

Julie Goldberg - Photography

Peggy Gassman, Linda Lourie, Susan Brisk -

Senior Luncheon

Eileen Agranat - Lilith Salons

Daryl Cohan - Brotherhood/Sisterhood Event

Denise Goodman & Carol Bolton Kappel - Donor Dinner

Come be a part of Sisterhood. I hope to meet you at our Membership Dinner on October 17. From the entire Sisterhood Board, we wish you a sweet and healthy new year, filled with fun, friendship and fundraising.

Essential Dates:

Thursday, October 17: Membership Dinner Simon Hall

Sunday & Monday, October 20 - 21: Rummage Sale Simon Hall

Friday, November 8 through Sunday, November 10: Spirituality Retreat

Marsha Moller President

BROTHERHOOD

Hi, I'm Jon, your new Brotherhood President. As you get settled into the sanctuary for the High Holy Days, I have a challenge for you. Take a look around the congregation and see how many people know you, and how many you know as a result of having attended a Brotherhood event. As our congregation grows, the Brotherhood serves an important role in helping to build

connections between you and your fellow brothers. But we are only as strong as the people who participate in our events.

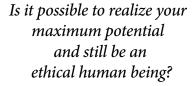
These events run the gamut—the spiritual (Sunday Breakfast with the Rabbi in Residence or our own clergy), the sports themed (e.g., softball, fantasy football, golf, and poker), and the supportive (through the sukkah build and take-down, ushering, sponsoring the annual blood drive, and helping members in times of need). And not to be snarky-but wait, there's even more . . . we also have an annual week-end retreat on the Cape, and several themed breakfasts. In a nut-shell, we have a very active calendar

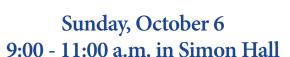
> TBS Brotherhood and Sisterhood is proud to sponsor a community wide discussion:

> > "Ethical Issues in a Changing World"

A presentation by Gerald Bruder

for you.





A full lox & bagel breakfast will be served. A nominal \$5 donation is suggested

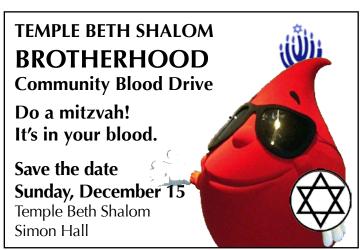
Please RSVP to: jdwinterman@gmail.com by October 1 But we can do even better. The Brotherhood board and I are open to your ideas and suggestions for expanding programming as we grow as a congregation. We want to see you all engaged and involved in our events, build lasting friendships, and help your fellow brothers. I invite you to attend our monthly board meetings held on the first Tuesday of every month. You can also contact me any time via email at joncohan@gmail.com, or by phone at 781-724-3744. Remember, Brotherhood membership is a benefit that comes as part of your temple dues; it is up to you to maximize the benefit.



On a personal note, I'd like to offer my thanks to Jim Winterman who has ably served as Brotherhood President for the

last two years and the board which is continuing largely intact from last year. It is great working with you all.

> L'shanah Tovah Jon Cohan







career connections

A Temple Beth Shalom Chesed/Caring Community Initiative

As part of Temple Beth Shalom's Chesed/Caring activities, **TBS CareerConnections** provides opportunities for members to build their professional networks, and offers assistance, through workshops and one-on-one consultations, to those looking for employment or considering a career/life style change.

For more information on TBS CareerConnections. please contact Sheryl Hirsch at sherylhirsch@rcn.com or 781-799-0614.

Making a Difference: Just a Can of Tuna a Month!

Temple Beth Shalom helps JF&CS Family Table provide kosher food for those in need. As part of our responsibility in this special partnership, TBS has committed to providing 100 cans of tuna and 25 cans of salmon every month.

There is a wooden collection box in the temple atrium. Just leave cans there. We will do the rest!

For more information about donating or volunteering at Family Table please contact either Nancy Krieger: 781-444-2032, npkmk I @ gmail.com or Bernice Sue Behar

at bbehar@jfcsboston.org.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Want to do a mitzvah?

Like to cook or order take-out?

Have a favorite chicken soup recipe that is truly Jewish penicillin?

Providing a meal to let individuals or families going through a difficult time in their lives know that our Temple community is thinking of them is easy and rewarding.

You select which day is convenient for you.

On the day you choose, if you are whipping something

up at home, simply make extra, or if you are getting take-out that night—no problem just add to your order. We even have requests for frozen meals.



If you enjoy cooking or ordering take-out, please join our Bikur Cholim (Cooking Mavens) group and share your talents with our congregation. Expenses can be reimbursed.

All you need to provide is your time, your skills and your love!

> For more information, please contact: Lori Hall at 781-455-0941 or LHALL172@gmail.com.



In need of a little TLC? Know someone who is?

Let us brighten your or their day with a TBS Chesed Caring Cup.

If you or someone you know in the TBS community, of any age, is experiencing an illness

or injury, or facing a challenging time, the Chesed Committee would like to offer a little comfort with the delivery of a Caring Cup from the TBS community.

Please contact Anne Tribush at 617-312-5069 or tribush@comcast.net.



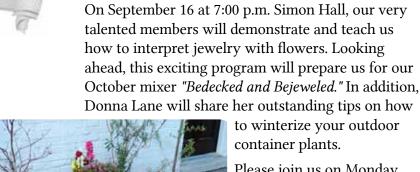
Essential Dates:

Monday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m. **Board Meeting BSGC Room**

Monday, September 16 at 7:00 p.m. "Baubles, Bangles and Bright Shiny Beads Jewelry Interpretation" Simon Hall

Welcome Back to BSGC 2013-2014 Did you know? Container Gardening is a lot like accessorizing an outfit. Pots add instant polish. The main

components of a great pot have a "focal" point, a "filler"- such as annuals and foliage plants - and "spillers" - plants that drape down the edges of the container.



Please join us on Monday, September 16 at 7:00 p.m. in Simon Hall to learn more gardening tips and enjoy our wonderful program "Baubles, Bangles and Bright Shiny Beads Jewelry Interpretation."

We look forward to seeing you. Let's accessorize!

This past May members of the BSGC were selected

to interpret a piece of jewelry at Neiman Marcus.

Fawn Hurwitz President



What is BESTY?

BESTY (BEth Shalom Temple Youth), our Senior Youth Group is open to all temple members grades 8-12, and is a program run largely by teens, for teens. The goal of BESTY is to make Judaism accessible to all, whether that is through direct learning, spending time with Jewish friends, or anywhere in between. BESTY hosts events once or twice a month, including lounge nights, ski trips, Fire and Ice, and more. BESTY is affiliated with NFTY-NE, the youth division of the URJ. NFTY-NE is one of 16 national regions in NFTY (North American Federation of Temple Youth), and is comprised of youth groups from Mssachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont, Maine, and parts of New York. On top of local youth group events, BESTY takes part in region-wide events with teens throughout the area. The BESTY Board creates each event for the BESTY community on top of developing important leadership skills throughout the year. This year's board was selected by a group of outgoing board members and their leadership. Each person applied to the board, and was carefully and thoughtfully placed into a position that was thought to be best suited for his or her skill set.

BESTY Board 2013-2014/5774

President Molly Shuman

Liaison Vice President Margo Blank

Programming Vice President Sammy Lerner

Social Action Vice President Rebecca Resnic

Membership and Publicity Vice President Gabi Sherman

Religious and Cultural Vice Presidents Sammy Altman, Rachel Zaff

> **Financial Vice Presidents** Molly Lemkin, Sam Cohen

> > Correspondence Jeremy Marcus

NFTY-NE Representative Michelle Saylor

9th Grade Representative Maddy Garf

12th Grade Representative Tzipi Crandell

Shabbat Hikes

Come schmooze and cruise our local wildlife with us in the spirit of Shabbat.

Contact the hike leader for questions or cancellations due to inclement weather; otherwise, just show up at the meeting point.

For more information about "Shabbat Hikes" go to: www.tbsneedham.org and refer to Shomrei Adamah Shabbat Hikes.

Date: Saturday, September 21 Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: Needham Town Forest Leader: Mark Kristall: 954-263-3667

Meet At: Horsford Pond Entrance, Central Avenue Terrain: Uneven and rocky trails, but not much elevation



Temple Beth Shalom Sisterhood

Fall Rummage Sale

Sunday, October 20: 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Monday, October 21: 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. - Bag Sale

Drop-off: Sunday, October 20 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in Simon Hall

Sisterhood needs your donations and assistance.
Please call to volunteer!

(Please, no broken or damaged items.)
Baby and infant accessories are no longer accepted, but baby clothing is welcome.
No undergarments will be accepted.
No computers or monitors,
unless they are new.
For more information, or to volunteer,
please contact Bonnie Littman:



781-449-8793 or bonlitt@gmail.com



Fall Green Tip From Shomrei Adamah 120-degrees Fahrenheit

Many water heaters default to 140-degrees Fahrenheit (60 degrees Celsius) when they ship from the manufacturer, but temperatures that high pose not only high energy costs but scalding risks to your family. Most water heaters operate just as efficiently at 120-degrees Fahrenheit (49 degrees Celsius), and the lower temperature could help increase the lifespan of the heater.

For every 10 degrees you lower the water temperature, you can save between 3 and 5 percent in utility costs. Additionally, wrapping an insulating blanket around your water heater will help save energy this winter, possibly as much as 4 to 9 percent in water heating costs. Find them in your local hardware store.

Courtesy of TLC Green Living and Maria Trimarchi

TBS Jewish Film Series presents Radio Days



Sunday, September 29 at 4:00 p.m. in Simon Hall

Free Admission - Free Refreshments

Woody Allen's gentle and nostalgic tribute to the glory days of radio and coming-of-age during World War II plays like Fellini's Amarcord filtered through Neil Simon. The nominal star is Seth Green as Joe, a teenage Jewish boy, growing up with a house full of relatives in Brooklyn. Allen cuts between Joe's working class neighborhood of Rockaway Beach, Queens, and the glittery and glamorous world of radio in Manhattan.

To view the
Temple Calendar for September,
please visit:
www.tbsneedham.org/calendar

BEGINNER HEBREW ADULT BAR/BAT MITZVAH

Thursday evenings beginning October 3 and extending through May.

Time: 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Teacher: Rabbi Michele Lenke

For those looking to take an exciting step by learning both how to read Hebrew and more deeply understand some of the basic prayers

of the Siddur (the "prayer book"), this experience is for you! Everyone is invited (but is not required!) to participate in a special ritual at the



end of the year - which will include reading from the Torah! - as we will celebrate a special "Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah" in the spring.

For more information, please contact Rabbi Lenke at rabbilenke@tbsneedham.org or 781-444-0077.

To register, please contact Rachel Block, TBS K-12 and Adult Learning Administrator at rblock@tbsneedham.org.

Shomrei Adamah Guardians of the Earth

The Shomrei Adamah (Guardians of the Earth) committee has created a guide for anyone in the TBS community who is planning a party or event and is looking for ways to make more earth-friendly choices throughout the process.

The brand new "Greening Your Simcha" guide can be found on the TBS website, tbsneedham.org • (under the Social Action tab, click on Shomrei Adamah). •

The guide is filled with environmentally and socially responsible party planning ideas,

from invitations to decorations to kippot. We hope that this guide will be helpful to you and inspire ideas of your own.

(If you have a great idea or feedback to offer, we would love to include it!

Please email greensimcha@tbsneedham.org.)

JOIN US FOR TBS's Family Sukkot BARBEQUE BLOCK PARTY!

Sunday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m. Temple Beth Shalom Rain or shine (hopefully shine!)

Join us for a fantastic afternoon of outdoor fun, food from Blue Ribbon Bar-B-Q, great music, a moon bounce for younger kids, a special activity

for older kids, sukkah decorating, and fun with friends new and old!

Please register online at www.tbsneedham.org by September 12.

Questions? Contact Jenny Small at 781-559-3153 or jennylee27@gmail.com



Family Promise Metrowest Tee Off to End Homelessness Save the Date First Annual Mini Golf Event November 2 - 3



Do you own or work for a company that would be interested in helping Family Promise raise money? "Tee off to End Homelessness" Miniature Golf Tournament is being sponsored on behalf of Family Promise Metrowest on November 2 and 3. This is a family friendly event for miniature golfers of all ages. This event will raise awareness and needed funding for our programs including Transitional Housing for our families. We are looking for sponsorships and auction items for this event. Would you or the company you are employed by be willing to sponsor a hole on the miniature golf course? Sponsorship start at \$175. Please contact Carole Brodrick at carole@familypromisemetrowest.org or 781-864-7433 for sponsorship information.

ISRAELI DANCING



All Ages Welcome and Encouraged! * Taught by Emily Perlman Monday evenings at TBS, beginning September 16 - 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. (Beginners) 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. (Intermediate)

Wednesday mornings at TBS, beginning September 18 - 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Cost: \$5.00 per class (at the door) * No registration necessary!

Israeli dance is a wonderful way to engage the culture of Israel through music and movement. For all those who love Israeli dance, or who have said that they would love to learn, this class is perfect for you! For more information, please contact Emily Perlman at ebpharmony@aol.com.

CELEBRATING SHABBAT AS A COMMUNITY

Our community ends the week with song, prayer, learning and spirit. Our Shabbat evening services are joyful, participatory, and rich with beautiful music led by either Cantor Marcie Jonas or Emily Perlman. The sounds of piano, guitar, percussion, oftentimes flute, and the voices of our community blend in song. To suit the schedules of all, we are happy to offer two different service times each month.

First and Second Friday of the Month: 7:15 - 8:30 p.m.

Third, Fourth, and Fifth Friday of the Month: 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

(Beginning with a "pre-neg" at 5:30 pm of savory and sweet treats!)

(During these services, we are happy to offer special children's programming for early pre-school and early elementary school aged children.)



NEW MONTHLY CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER "SHABBAT SERVICE"



Beginning October 3, on the first Friday of each month, join Noam Sender and Joel Segel (pictured) — noted leaders of contemplative prayer practice — for a Shabbat evening experience of heart, mind, body, and soul. "Contemplative prayer" begins with an invitation to bring all sides of ourselves to our relationship with God. It is not exclusively meditative but rather rooted in that expanded awareness. Moving, singing, listening (Shema!), reflecting, sharing our experience with the divine presence and with each other — all these are part of contemplative prayer.

Our service experience will last approximately an hour, after which we will join with the rest of the community for a joyful oneg!

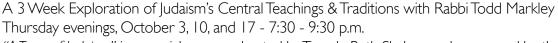
TBS "WRITER'S GROUP"

A new community of writers has formed at TBS! We will meet one Monday each month to create and to share. We will discuss our sources inspiration and writing techniques, support one another in our creative process, reflect upon each other's work, and seek/provide thoughtful feedback — enabling all of us to grow as writers. We welcome supportive, mindful, creative, and innovative writers of all kinds — new writers and pros, all genres and subjects.



Please send a piece of writing to share to Sharon Salinger at Sharonsalinger@gmail.com before our first meeting. Questions? Please contact Sharon.

A TASTE OF JUDAISM





"A Taste of Judaism" is a special program hosted by Temple Beth Shalom and sponsored by the Union for Reform Judaism. It is geared for all those who would like to learn about the basic teachings, traditions, and principles of Jewish life.

For additional information about this course please contact either Rabbi Markley at *tmarkley@tbsneedham.org* or 781-444-0077 or go to *www.reformjewishoutreachboston.org*. To register, please contact Joyce Schwartz at 617-928-0012 or jschwartz@urj.org. Reform Jewish Outreach Boston is supported in part by a grant from the Combined Jewish Philanthropies.

WOULD YOU HELP US EITHER BUILD OR TAKE DOWN OUR TEMPLE SUKKAH?



Sunday morning, September 15 * Sunday morning, September 29

Each year, our Temple Sukkah holds our entire community – from our youngest preschoolers who visit during their Children's Center day to our more mature members who shake lulav and etrog, enjoy a meal, or just come to visit. Our dedicated Brotherhood men's community organizes the building and 'taking down' of our Sukkah each year.

If you are able to help build (Sunday morning, September 15) or disassemble (Sunday morning, September 29) please contact Brotherhood President, Jon Cohan at joncohan@gmail.com.

SUKKOT EVENING SERVICE AND CELEBRATION

Wednesday, September 18 - 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

oin us for beautiful prayer and music, sweet treats in the Sukkah, and the shaking of the Iulav and etrog during our season of gratitude!

Our morning service will take place Thursday, September 19 at 7:00 a.m.



TBS Garden Club Presents:



"BAUBLES, BANGLES, & BRIGHT SHINY BEADS" | IEWELRY INTERPRETATION

Monday, September 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Talented members of our Beth Shalom Garden Club were invited by Neiman Marcus to interpret jewelry last May! They are looking forward to sharing their tricks and talent with us as we gather for a DAZZLING evening!

For more information, please contact BSGC President, Fawn Hurwitz at fhurwitz@aol.com.

SIMCHAT TORAH EVENING SERVICE AND CONSECRATION CELEBRATION

Wednesday, September 25 - 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.

Join us as our sanctuary is filled to overflowing with joy and spirit! We celebrate our community's newest learners of Torah. We unroll the entire Torah around our sanctuary – reading the last and the first words of our scroll!

We then dance, eat, and schmooze to sounds of the Kadima Band. Don't miss it! Our morning service will take place Thursday, September 26 at 7:00 am.



Fall "Sparks of Insight" Series:

"AN EXPLORATION OF JEWISH VALUES"



Time: 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

"Textploration" Guide: Rabbi Perlman

Join us as we step into Jewish text to encounter and 'unpack' three core Jewish values: Humility – Forgiveness – Tzedakah. Through our learning we will discover how they might help us strengthen our lives and restore our world.

For information and/or to register, please contact Rachel Block, TBS K-12 and Adult Learning Administrator at

rblock@tbsneedham.org or at 781-444-0388.





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Meeting: Thursday, October 10 at 7:30 p.m.

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If you are interested in learning more, join us for our Informational Meeting. No commitment is necessary. Please RSVP with Tiziana Getz at tgetz@tbsneedham.org.

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Re-Imagining The *Scroll*(with the Communications Committee)
Sunday, September 29 at 2:00 p.m. at Temple Beth Shalom

Are you a writer? Are you a photographer?
Are you creative? Are you a reporter? A blogger?
Did you work on your school yearbook or literary magazine?

For many years the *Scroll* has served to inform and celebrate our Temple community as a printed newsletter that fills our mailbox each month. But now, at a time when email and social media inform us daily and at a time when we as a community are seeking to build anew, it is perhaps time to consider what the Scroll means to us and how it can best be a reflection of our community. We are committed to continuing a printed "*Scroll*" that reaches out to you through your mailbox—but what it is and what it contains is left open to our own imagination, Please join us on Sunday, September 29 at 2:00 p.m. at Temple Beth Shalom. Help us re-think and re-imagine the *Scroll* together. We are looking for anyone interested in the creative process. No commitments—just an



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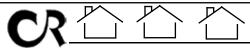
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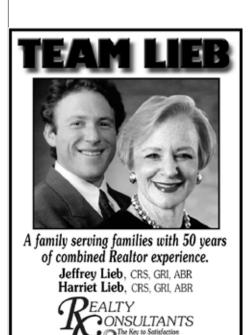


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The Communications Committee proudly invites you to join the Temple Beth Shalom Community Bulletin Board (TBS-CBB).

This new service lets you exchange emails with other Temple members about things that may benefit any or all of us.

Sounds awesome! How does it work?

and all those who signed up will receive your email.

For this to work for you, you sign up for the bulletin board. Then when someone has something to post, you will receive their email. You can reply, save, or delete, as appropriate. When you have something to send, you email the given address,

Community

So how do I sign up?

Simply email communitylist@tbsneedham.org. You will receive an email back confirming that you are signed up for the bulletin board and telling you the address to use to send TBS-CBB emails.

Please note that you will be able to receive and send TBS-CBB emails only via the address you use to sign up (not from a different email address you may use at work).

Wait - Won't my inbox get flooded?

Other synagogues and groups love this system and do not find that to be an issue. Here's why:

- The email comes from the person who sent it, so replies can go directly back to that person, not to everyone.
- We will monitor the emails so that we can create a separate group should the need arise. For example, if many people starting posting about suggestions of books to read, we could create a separate group of those interested in book ideas.
- There are a few simple rules (below).
- There's usually a bigger influx at the beginning, but then it slows down.
- · You can always unsubscribe.

What are the rules?

To keep the system useful and efficient, we ask the following:

- · Send your listing only once. (Yes, if there is a major change in what you sent, please do send a follow-up email.)
- Hit reply, not reply all, to respond to TBS-CBB emails.
- This is meant to let people find about things they may not otherwise know. <u>As such, it is not a replacement for placing an ad for your business or service.</u>
- Kindly remember that this is a friendly tool for practical stuff—it is not a discussion forum, soap box, complaint corner, etc. Issues related to the Temple should be brought to the attention of Daniel Barkowitz at dbarkowitz@tbsneedham.org.

I'm in! Great - just email communitylist@tbsneedham.org to get started.

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