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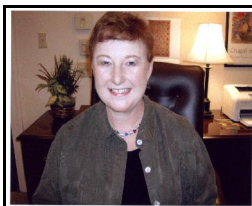
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Commentary: by Rabbi Susan Warshaw

An Exciting Year of Adult Education at Temple Bat

The rabbis teach us that a synagogue has three primary functions. It is a *Beit Tefillah*, a house of prayer. It is a *Beit Knesset*, a place of assembly and community. And it is a *Beit Midrash*, a place of learning. In fact, the importance of learning is reflected in the Yiddish word for synagogue, *shul*, which means “school.” Our Temple Bat Yam has a thriving and active religious school, with children learning Jewish history, values, customs, and music, as well as Hebrew. Beginning in November, Temple Bat Yam adults will also have the opportunity to experience the temple as a *Beit Midrash*, a house of study and learning.

The chair of the adult education committee, Howard Hammerman and I have put together what we hope is an exciting and interesting selection of classes. We realize that our members come from many backgrounds. Many members have non-Jewish spouses who are interested in Judaism; others want to deepen their Jewish education. Our intent was to design a program of classes that reaches out to all our members.



A series of three classes are structured to begin the journey toward conversion or an adult Bar or Bat Mitzvah. We will begin with an eight-week course called Introduction to Judaism. These classes will provide an overview of Jewish history, and will explore the basic beliefs, customs, and holidays of Judaism. Even if you have been practicing Judaism for a long time, you might learn something new!

Following the Introduction to Judaism course, we will offer a six week series on the structure and meaning of the services. Sometimes, when you are in the midst of services, it is hard to realize that there is an order and logic to the prayers. In this course, we will study the structure of the service and deepen our knowledge and understanding of the prayerbook.

In our synagogue we read from the Torah, the Five

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Upcoming Events

Friday, November 14, 7 pm—Family Service.

Saturday, November 15, 7 pm—Havdalah at the Hammerman’s house (see Page 3).

Thursday, November 20, 7:30 pm—With member talent, Sisterhood will sponsor a musical review in the Sanctuary (see Page 4).

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President's Report

A New Year has begun, and only one word comes to mind...WOW! It was truly one of the most outstanding High Holiday services I have ever attended. It was plain to see how wonderfully Rabbi Warshaw led us in prayer. The talented voices of our Cantors: Cheryl Taustin, Phyllis Alpern and Kyler Taustin, still resonate in my ears. Most importantly, I witnessed a Jewish community brought together for prayer as we entered the New Year. The outstanding services could not have occurred without the efforts of numerous people behind the scenes—Stu Eisenman, George and Marsha Rosenstock, Grayce Cohen—just to mention a few. We also had ushers and babysitters. I do not have room to mention all the names but I will just say thank you to all for a job well done. We could not have done it without you!

Upon taking the position of President, I told the congregation I needed your help. I knew the year could not be successful without your help. I have seen, over and over again, members stepping up on their own volition to help our Temple. A few weeks ago, we needed someone to lead the golf tournament. George asked, and immediately someone responded. The same day another member called me to volunteer to lead the same tournament. Unfortunately, we will not be able to have the tournament until early spring, but it is that level of volunteerism that is improving our Temple. Recently, two religious school parents asked if they could chair a Bingo fundraiser. It really did not take me long to say, "Sounds good to me!" For members to create an idea, and get involved in seeing that the idea is brought to fruition is more than I could have hoped for. So, once again, thank you.

Currently, the \$100.00 raffle is underway. George Rosenstock has agreed to chair this important event that helps pay down the mortgage. It is extremely important in this time of economic uncertainty that all members support this fundraiser. Please purchase a ticket or more if you like. Please ask friends, relatives, and co-workers to purchase tickets as well. The odds of winning the raffle are much better than winning the state lottery!

In summary, we have had an outstanding start to the New Year. Outstanding, talented members have helped bring our Jewish community together for prayer. We have had many members step up to fill needed positions to keep our Temple thriving. We still need your help, but the volunteerism our members are showing is creating a bright future for Temple Bat Yam. Thank you.

—Lawrence Michnick

Board Briefs

The next Executive Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 5 at 4:30 pm.

The next General Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 12 at 8:30 am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Board has approved a proposal by Rabbi Susan Warshaw to repair both Torahs. They will be fixed one at a time, so we will have a Torah for services while the repairs are being made.

Officers

Larry Michnick	President
Stu Eisenman	Exec. VP
George Rosenstock	Cong. VP
Sidney Eagle	Treasurer
Ivy Hecker	Exec. Sec'y
Jeannette Abrams	Cong. Sec'y
Jeff Thaler	Past President

Trustees

Veronica Kahn, Hal Glick, Larry Pack, Jay Taustin, Sandie Wodlinger, Larry Caplan, Joyce Klein.

Board Members

Rabbi Susan Warshaw, Religious Education Director
Becky Brunet, Religious Education Chair
Rina Thaler, Youth Director
Marion Klein, Sisterhood President
Richard S. Sternberger, Founding Rabbi

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Ed Apple - Printing
Contributors - Leslie Segall, Rina Thaler, Marion Klein, Joyce Klein, Grayce Cohen, Sandie Wodlinger, Becky Brunet

Shabbat Worship Services

Services begin at 8 pm every Friday. Services on the first, third and fourth Fridays will be accompanied by organ music. Saturday morning services begin at 9:30 am. Family services are held once a month and begin at 7 pm, except in the summer.

Congregation Celebrates Joyful Holidays

Joyful, exciting, fun, meaningful, beautiful. These are but a few adjectives to describe the activities that took place at Temple Bat Yam before, during and after the High Holy Days.

On September 26, we were treated to the music of Echo, a local choral group, directed by Evonne Lee, which sang three liturgical pieces.

We were blessed with three splendid voices for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. Cantor Cheryl Taustin was joined by her talented son, Kyler and Assistant Cantor Phyllis Alpern to make the music especially beautiful this year.

After the Sisterhood shabbat on October 10, the *kiddush* and *motzi* were held in the festively decorated sukkah behind the Temple. Everyone was grateful for the mild fall weather. For the final days of the holiday, Temple members put up a sukkah on the bimah. How joyful it was to see the twinkling lights, fall leaves, gourds and cornstalks on that specially decorated sukkah.

In between, the rabbi installed the Board of Directors, Joyce Klein honored the boardwalk car raffle workers, and the Sisterhood presented a Tree of Life leaf of appreciation to Jay Taustin and his staff at the Embers for all they have done for Sisterhood.

November Havdalah at Hammerman's

The next Havdalah will be held on November 15 at 7 pm at the home of Helen and Howard Hammerman, 11851 Man O'War Lane, Berlin, MD. Please call Helen to RSVP and let her know what you will be bringing for the pot luck dinner, 410-213-0336 or email, helenh33@comcast.net.

At this point, no one has committed to hosting a Havdalah beyond November. If you are interested please let Helen know asap. You can host one at the Temple if you are unable to have one in your home. You can even host one with a friend. Call Helen for details. We would love to see these Havdalahs continue every month, but we need volunteer hosts.



Rabbi Richard Sternberger, Cantor Cheryl Taustin and Rabbi Susan Warshaw say the *motzi* blessing in the sukkah after the Sisterhood shabbat, as congregants look on.

Guest Cantor Kyler Taustin joins his mother, Cantor Cheryl Taustin and Assistant Cantor Phyllis Alpern in song during the Sisterhood Shabbat on October 10.

—Photos by Marv



TBY Needs Fundraising Chair

It is a new year and a new beginning for Temple Bat Yam. The High Holy Days services were outstanding and we have many exciting programs scheduled for the coming year.

We are pleased to announce that the car raffle and beer truck sales last summer were very successful. Almost everyone in the congregation and many outsiders volunteered to work on these projects and we are grateful for their help.

Although we have a number of people who have volunteered to work on various fundraising committees, we are in desperate need of a Fundraising Chair. This volunteer would be required to meet with all the chairpersons, coordinate all the projects and keep track of and report on their progress.

As in the past, I know you will be willing to step up and help Temple Bat Yam achieve its fundraising goals this year. We need and appreciate your help to keep us moving forward. Please feel free to email me with your decision, michnick@atlanticdental.com.

Sincerely grateful,

Larry Michnick, President

Sisterhood Happenings

Dear Rabbi Warshaw:

I want to express my joy in participating in the High Holidays with you. As Sisterhood President and a member of Temple Bat Yam for over ten years, this service moved me so much. Thank you to Cheryl Taustin, Phyllis Alpern, Kyler Taustin and Taylor Harvey for all the beautiful and heart-felt music.

Sisterhood Shabbat

Once again, we had a successful Sisterhood Shabbat service. Our sisters are a talented and hard working group of women. My thanks to all who participated. I again want to thank Rabbi Warshaw, who always makes us feel comfortable on the bimah, and to Cheryl Taustin who, along with Phyllis Alpern, Kyler Taustin and June Todd, coordinated the music. My special thanks to Helene Caplan, Sandie Wodlinger and Debbie Resnick for preparing the service by adding some beautiful passages. Marsha Rosenstock and Stephanie Cohen were workaholics in the kitchen.

We have some marvelous programs planned for the year ahead and I hope you will all find the time to join us and to help make this a Sisterhood YEAR TO REMEMBER.



Carole Eagle (left) says the blessing while Larry Caplan prepares to read a Torah passage as Rabbi Susan Warshaw looks on. They took part in the Sisterhood Shabbat, which featured a special service that included many members of the Sisterhood.

—Photo by Marv Novick

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Events

- **Thursday, November 20, at 7:30 pm.** Sisterhood will present a Musical Review in the Sanctuary. Our talented Cheryl Taustin, Phyllis Alpern, Michelle Schachter, Chelsea Thaler, Allen Brodsky and others will be the featured entertainers.
- **Thursday, December 11, 7 pm.** Chanukah gift exchange.
- **Friday, December 19, 5:30 pm.** Chanukah Pot Luck dinner. Myra Novick and Marion Klein are chairing this fun filled event. This is a very labor intensive event, so please call them to volunteer your help. Also, please contact either of them to say what dish you will be bringing. It could be a main dish, a salad or side dish. Myra, myran@comcast.net or Marion, koko97@comcast.net.

Let's Show we Care

If you know of someone in the congregation or a relative of a congregant who is sick or has passed away, please contact Carol Schachter at 410-208-1917 or carolee44@verizon.net. She will see that the Rabbi and Sisterhood President are notified so that they can take the appropriate action.

Judaica Shop Needs Manager

We are still looking for the shopkeeper. Chanukah is closer than you think and the wholesalers are sending catalogues. Our current inventory is very depleted, so the shopkeeper can really shop! Call the Temple office if you are interested in deciding what to order and are willing to be available to sell the items. We have only one busy season a year. The time is now!

Sponsor an Oneg Shabbat

Is someone going on a trip or just returning safely from one? Did someone just have a baby or grandbaby?

If you have something to celebrate, why not sponsor a Friday night Oneg Shabbat and have your simcha announced from the bimah? Everyone would love to celebrate with you and your family and friends. If you are interested, please call Marsha Rosenstock at 410-629-1103 a week or so in advance and we will make arrangements.

So Nu — What's New?

by Jeannette Abrams

BYE BYE BIRDIES—As the first touch of fall hits our area, two of our snowbirds have gone south for the winter. We'll miss you Dot Kaufman and Muriel Seigel. Have a terrific winter and keep in touch. On their heels are Grayce and Aaron Cohen, who return to Colorado on November 6. May your winter be filled with joy.

Note to Snowbirds: Please let the Temple office know when you are returning to your winter digs. Also make sure your winter address is correctly listed, so you can receive the newsletter and other Temple information.

CHECK THIS OUT—Helen Hammerman has set up a new artist's website to display and sell her beautiful paintings. Please let her know what you think since she encourages "feedback, advice and comments."
www.ArtbyHelenH.com.

CRUISIN' NORTH—Leslie Segall and Ed Wirkman enjoyed a Celebrity cruise to Maine and Canada from October 17 through October 30. The ship stopped at Bar Harbor, ME, St. John, New Brunswick, Sydney and Halifax, Nova Scotia. They also spent two nights in Quebec City.

CORRECTION—If you want to help Joey Bernstein earn his Wolf Scout badges by purchasing popcorn, please note that there was an error in Joey's code in last month's issue. The correct code is **TEG98RF**. Go Joe!

Attention Mah Jongg Players

You can order your card through Temple Bat Yam and it will be mailed directly to you in April. Sisterhood gets a portion of the sales.

Cost of Standard Card	\$7.00
Cost of Large Print Card	\$8.00

Payment by cash or check (made payable to cash or to Barbara Southwell). The Mah Jongg League will not accept multiple checks. Barbara must receive your order no later than January 31, 2009. With payment, please include your name and mailing address, including zip code. Mail to: Barbara Southwell, 102 Pinehurst Rd., Ocean Pines, MD 21811. If you have any questions, Barbara can be reached at 410-641-5456.

Operation Paperback Still Going Strong

Leslie Segall was kind enough to show me the ropes and get me on my way. I am so excited about taking over Operation Paperback. Over 250 books have been recently shipped to our troops. Without TBY member support, we would not be able to ship as many books as we do.

It is my hope that everyone will continue to donate their gently used books for this worthy project. The guidelines continue to include paperback books only. They must be in good condition and have a front cover. The most popular genres remain mysteries and thrillers, science fiction, fantasy, action and adventure. Automotive magazines have been a recent request as well. Please...no self-help or romance books.

A big "thank you" to Stu Eisenman. Stu has been extremely generous by continuing to allow his staff to package these books, as well as, continuing to incur the costs of each shipment.

To help defray shipping costs, please consider sending monetary contributions to: Stu Eisenman, c/o Kites, Tails & Toys, 9 Mason Dr., Selbyville, DE 19975. Operation Paperback also recommends with every book given, consider donating a quarter. Simply tape a quarter to the front of each book. While this may not seem like much, the aggregate amount does help offset the expense.

I look forward to following in Leslie's footsteps.



Enhancing the beautiful music at our September 26 service, the Echo Choir, under the direction of Evonne Lee, sang three beautiful hymns, including *Glory to God* by Handel and *Open My Eyes, I Pray*, from Psalm 119.

—Photo by Marv Novick

NOVEMBER 2008 YAHRZEITS

- 01 **Rose Cohn**
mother of Grayce Cohen
- 03 **Rose Barth**
aunt of Donald Hamburg
- 04 **David Schwartz**
father of Mae Goldstein
- 08 **Jerry Kroll**
husband of Arleen Kroll
- Lillian Schneider**
former mother-in-law of Leslie Segall
- Mary Sperling**
mother of Gloria Nestler
- 09 **Marian Tanenholtz**
great aunt of Stu Eisenman
- 14 **Sally Link**
mother of Patti Leiner
- 15 **David Lesnick**
father of Joan Tecott
- Rivkah Esther Saltzberg**
mother of Lionel Saltzberg
- Louis Zampilione**
father of Nanette Willmuth
- 16 **Lillian Rubenfeld**
aunt of Jay Taustin
- 17 **Sarah Tenenblatt**
mother of Marian Stark
- 18 **Helen Rosenberg**
aunt of Elaine Kaufman
- Jacob Stark**
father of Steven Stark
- 22 **Theodore Hamburg**
father of Donald Hamburg

- 23 **Saul Glick**
father of Hal Glick
- Sara Herman**
mother of Rena Walcoff
- Esther Sternberger**
mother of Rabbi Richard Sternberger
- 24 **Sylvia Barth**
aunt of Donald Hamburg
- 25 **Howard E. Kahn**
brother of Stan Kahn
- 26 **Bernard Goldstein**
father-in-law of Mae Goldstein
- Leona Greenspan Friedenber**
mother of Michael Greenspan
- Miriam Rubin**
mother of Hal Glick
grandmother of Lauren Shanahan
- 27 **Leah Lieberman**
wife of Jacob Lieberman
- Norman Schwartz**
brother of Mae Goldstein
- 28 **Marion Hankin**
grandmother of Cynthia Leiner
- Herbert Stamer**
uncle of Fred Kahn
- 29 **Max Schaerf**
father of Janice Hamburg
- 30 **Bernard Apple**
husband of Gerty Apple
- Miriam (Mimi) Solomon**
mother of Lauren Shanahan

Levy Library Needs New Furnishings

The Levy Library crew is hoping to spruce-up the space, and would love your cast-offs, if they could meet our needs. In case you should happen to be changing dining room furniture, could we take a peek at what you're giving up? We'd love a table and matching chairs to replace the fold-up tables that we're presently using. We are also seeking easy chairs to create a reading corner. Please let us know if you plan to get rid of something we might use.

—Grayce Cohen for the Levy Library crew

Memorial Plaques
The Temple has a beautiful Memorial area for plaques honoring loved ones. Call the Temple office for more information.

It's another Mitzvah.



NOVEMBER 2008 CONTRIBUTIONS

GENERAL FUND

From: Nanette Willmuth:

~ to Toni Jaffee, know that you are in my thoughts and prayers often. Hope to see you at Temple.

~ Dearest Hal, know that you & Chris are in our thoughts and prayers every day. Never give up.

From: Jerome & Toni Carr:

~ to Temple Bat Yam.

From: Sylvia Burkom:

~ for Rose Burkom, in honor of your special birthday.

From: Marilyn & Marvin Levinson:

~ to Richard & Pat Leiner, happy & healthy New Year.

From: Jackie & Maish Friedman:

~ to Pat & Richard Leiner, L'Shanah Tovah.

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND, ARTS & FURNISHINGS FUND (split)

From: Helene & Larry Caplan:

~ to Allen Brodsky, in honor of your 80th special birthday.

Yahrzeit Fund

From: Phyllis & Stanford Franklin:

~in loving memory of my mother, Marian Oletsky.

From: Ed Wirkman:

~ in loving memory of my father, Emanuel Wirkman.

From: Marilyn Furman:

~ in loving memory of my husband, Howard Furman.

From Gloria & Bert Nestler:

~ in loving memory of our nephew, Roger Hartzand.

From: Ellie Isaacs:

~ in loving memory of my mother, Fannie Nathan.

From: Alfred M. Isaacs:

~ in loving memory of my mother, Rose Isaacs.

From: Stu Eisenman:

~ in loving memory of my father, Edward Eisenman.

From: Miriam Green:

~ in loving memory of my mother, Esther Glickman.

From: Marsha Sandler:

~ in loving memory of my mother, Anne Goldberg.

From: Herbert Mitnick:

~ in loving memory of my brother, Elliot S. Mitnick.

From: Candy Gusst:

~ in loving memory of my father, Henry Segal.

From: Lionel D. Saltzberg:

~ in loving memory of my father, Kalman Gerson Saltzberg.

Aliyah Team Thanks Participants

To each and every Temple member who offered to and/or agreed to participate in the recent High Holiday services, we wish to send a very special "thank-you." You all performed magnificently and you made us so very proud! We wish we could name all of you, but the Editor said that we could not use up all of her space. You know who you are, and now you know how grateful we are.

Ours were beautiful, moving and inspiring services. The music was awesome, the spiritual leadership was superb, and each of you 80 plus folks, served to make these services very special. May the year 5769 be kind to all of us!! Our deepest gratitude to all of you.

Grayce and Aaron Cohen, Carol Shachter
The Aliyah Team

Thanks to Cole Taustin and Staff

Dear Cole and Staff:

Where are the words we need to express our thanks to the Embers? Suffice to say that, while Bat Yam's home is on the Worcester Highway, our home-away-from-home, is the Embers. The entire Taustin Family has made it so!

Again this year, you and your Embers' staff have worked wonders. Donna, Heather, Jason, and every other staff member, added to the magic that was the Yom Kippur Break-the-Fast. The beautifully composed buffet table helped make the affair perfection. The Taustin warmth and concern for every attendee's satisfaction and comfort is what makes the Embers a special place to be.

On behalf of the entire congregation, as well as personally, we send our love and our heartfelt THANKS!

Ever, Grayce

Religious School Report

The 2008-09 Religious School year has already been full of excitement! We'd like to welcome all of our teachers: Rabbi Susan Warshaw, Marsha Rosenstock, Jodi Sabo, Michelle Schachter, Terri Goldman, Amy Eskridge, and Sandy Friedman. Our teachers have been working hard to incorporate inspirational lessons into our new Chai Curriculum which was introduced to us over the summer.

We are very fortunate to have Rabbi Warshaw teaching Hebrew to each class every week. The students are enjoying the opportunity to learn with the rabbi. Additionally, youth group members are taking an active role in the religious school program this year. Brandon Thaler is assisting the rabbi with Hebrew and Chelsea Thaler is helping teachers in the classrooms. Also, our substitute teacher list continues to grow as parents and other Temple members have volunteered to help.

The rabbi is also working with several pre-Bar/Bat Mitzvah students and families to begin preparations for their B'Nai Mitzvah studies. Mid-week Hebrew classes with the rabbi will begin this month.

Parent volunteers have been instrumental in continuing the "Bat Yam Bucks" program, as well as co-

Youth Group Report

The youth group met on October 5, and after a brief meeting, went to Panera's for lunch. Emily Joyner, Jackson Berger, Brandon Thaler, Jessica Galuardi, Chelsea Thaler, James Pack and Sarah Bell were all there. After lunch, we headed over to Baja amusements for some wild "Go-karting." It was a lot of fun.

After our October 26 lunch meeting, we went to the Worcester County Humane Society to do some community service.

On November 9, from 1 pm to 4 pm, we plan to go to the "Beyond the Limits" ropes course. Last year, we had a blast swinging from trees, etc. All Temple Bat Yam teens are welcome to come, regardless of whether you have participated in youth group activities before. For more information call Rina Thaler at 410-726-7768 or rfox386@aol.com.

ordinating our new "Bagel Bar" for religious school families. The Bagel Bar is a fundraiser for the religious school that has become very popular with both parents and children. Please feel free to stop by one Sunday morning during religious school and purchase a bagel and coffee, and chat!

—Becky Brunet, Religious School Coordinator

Religious School Schedule

Religious School is held from 9:45 am to 12 noon.

NOVEMBER 2008

November 9

November 16

DECEMBER 2008

December 7

December 14 Chanukah Party

More Bagels & Books Coming

For all of you "eager-readers," here at last is the information you've been waiting for. Bagels and Books will happen, again, on Sunday morning, February 15, 2009. Our review facilitator will be Candy Gusst, and her book of choice is *Haven*, by Ruth Gruber. *Haven* is a fascinating true tale of 1,000 Jewish and Christian refugees brought to sanctuary in America in 1944. Secretary of the Interior, Harold Ickes, sent Gruber on a top-secret mission: she became the guardian angel who led the group out of war-torn Europe and brought them "home" to Oswego, New York. Read her account of this unbelievable journey, and meet the people whose lives the author changed.

As you read this article, the Library Crew will be cataloguing and preparing for circulation, three copies of *Haven*. Call Carol Schachter, Sandie Wodlinger, or Hilda Plisko (their phone numbers are in the Temple Directory) and get your name on the reserve list.

Come On, Bat Yam, read *Haven*.

—Grayce Cohen for the Levy Library Crew

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Books of Moses, every Friday night. However, the Torah is only one of three sections of the Hebrew Bible. In this course, we will provide an overview of the other two books, The Prophets and The Writings (which includes Psalms and Proverbs). If you are interested in learning more about our sacred texts, this is the course for you.

Many congregants have expressed a desire for something that will strengthen their spirituality. Mussar, a Jewish spiritual practice rooted in the tradition, will help us focus on living a more conscientious life, and also guide us in developing generosity, honor, patience, gratitude, and more. The mussar group will meet once a month from November through May (and longer if there is interest).

And, by popular demand, Larry Caplan is going to offer a course in Yiddish. If you don't know Yiddish but are fascinated by the language, if you know a little but want to know more, or if you speak and just want to have some fun with the language you will not want to miss this class.

There is no charge for any of these classes, and they are open to members and to non-members. Please call 410-641-4311, or email me: rabbiewarsaw@templebatyam-oc.org.

We are experimenting with times and days for classes; if you find that a day or time does not work for you but you would like to take the class, please let us know. I am also interested in starting an adult Hebrew class; if you are interested please let me know. If there is enough response I am happy to schedule a class.

See you in *shul*!

Adult Education Classes

Mussar: third Thursday of each month, beginning in November, 12 noon. Bring a brown bag lunch.

Introduction to Judaism: Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm, January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, March 11.

Structure and Meaning of the Services: Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm, November 5, 12, 19, December 3, 10, 17.

Beyond the Five Books of Moses: Wednesdays, 12-1:30, March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 15, 22, 29.

Yiddish: Spring time, please let us know your preferred time and day.

Membership Committee Reaching Out

Our Shabbat Squad greeters have been welcoming guests to services since early October, and the feedback has been very positive. Even those of us who attend regularly enjoy a friendly greeting, and newcomers are especially happy to find a friendly face just inside the door. We're also encouraging the wearing of name tags and people seem to like that too.

We want to thank those who have already volunteered, and hope to add many more to our ranks. Please let us know which Friday night you'd like to serve. No need for a long term commitment—just sign up for as many or as few Fridays as you'd like. All you have to do is smile, say hello and help a newcomer feel comfortable. At the end of the service, you may introduce our new guests to the congregation. Hopefully, that will break the ice and start some conversations at the Oneg. In order to make this work, **we need your help. Please volunteer to be a host or hostess. Contact Helen Hammerman at 410-213-0336, or Ivy Hecker at 302-436-7287.**

We are also trying to put together gift bags to present to new members. If you or someone you know is able to donate gift certificates or goodies we can include, please contact us. Do you know of any potential members? Send us their contact information so we can give them a personal call.

House Committee Need Painters

We need help to paint the social hall sometime in December or January. We have the paint and equipment, we just need bodies. Call me at 410-629-1103 or email, supezip@yahoo.com.

Many thanks to all who helped set up and break down for the holidays. Thanks also to all who cut the grass this past season. Special thanks to John Wilmuth for going above and beyond in this effort. Please keep those aluminum cans coming.

—George Rosenstock

Mah Jongg Tournament Planned

Save the Date: 1st Annual Mah Jongg Tournament, January 14th. Everyone, including non-Temple members are invited. Poster and Application forms to come later. Spread the word.

—Dolores Pack, Chair

Patrons, Benefactors Help Temple

As the new fiscal year begins for Temple Bat Yam, there is hope that more members will opt to become Patrons and Benefactors. All it takes is an extra \$250 added to your membership dues to become a Patron, and an extra \$500 to join the ranks of Benefactor.

Here are the names of those members who gave this fiscal year.

Patrons 2008-2009

Marsha Howarth
Larry & Deanne Michnick
Harold & Elaine Rabinowitz
Allen & Phyllis Brodsky
Lawrence & Helene Caplan
Aaron & Grayce Cohen
Gloria Furman
Russell & Carol Selig

Benefactors 2008-2009

Melvin & Janis Schwartz
Christopher & Judith Galuardi
Jack & Michelle Schachter
Philip & Jo Anne Glazer
Jonathan & Terry Bell
Bert & Gloria Nestler
Lee & Jennifer Klepper
Bruce & Cynthia Leiner
Jeff & Rina Thaler
Willam & Michy Woods
Peter & Rebecca Zweigbaum
G. Philip & Marlene Feldman
Steven & Sandy Friedman
Norman & Susan Oblon
Jay & Cheryl Taustin

Change of Address

Please make the following changes in your Temple Directory.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Howard & Sandy Sribnick

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ssribnick@starpower.net

Richard & Pamela Berger

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Berlin, MD. 21811
443-235-4844

Norman & Susan Oblon

11201 Tara Road
Potomac, MD. 20854
301-299-2789

NEW ADDRESS

Bob Backman

330 Rehoboth Avenue
Rehoboth Beach, DE. 19971
513-257-5011

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

George & Marsha Rosenstock
superzip@yahoo.com

Pledge to Pay Off Temple's Mortgage

Paying off our Temple's mortgage is our principal priority this year. Everyone is being asked to pitch in with a pledge. **Our aim is to pay off the mortgage by December 31, 2009.** Please fill out this form and mail it and your check, made out to Temple Bat Yam, 11036 Worcester Hwy., Berlin, MD 21811.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

PLEDGE AMOUNT

\$2,500___, \$5,000___ \$10,000___, \$15,000___, \$20,000___
\$25,000___, \$50,000___, Other___

Signature: _____

Thank You

Contact Treasurer **Sidney Eagle** for further information.



TREE OF LIFE

Celebrate the good things in your life. Purchase a leaf for \$325 or a stone for \$1,025.

Please pick up the Tree of Life Request Form on the table in the Temple lobby.

Publicity Report

In late August, I began running the High Holy Days ads weekly in *Ocean City Today*, the *Delaware Wave*, the Sunday *Salisbury Daily Times* and the *Bayside Gazette*. During that time, Temple Bat Yam received coverage and photos from the service honoring June Todd, winner of the car raffle, Echo choir at services, Pam Marcus' presentation on relieving stress at a Sisterhood meeting and Rabbi Warshaw's wonderful explanation of the High Holy Days.

If you are the chair of an event, please email the information to me, and if possible, I will write a press release, send it to the event chair for approval and then to the press. I appreciate your cooperation. Thank you.

—Veronica Kahn

Arts & Furnishings Report

Beautifying our social hall is a work in progress. The goal is to create an attractive setting for onegs and other events. We hope to encourage TBY artists to allow us to display their artwork in our renovated space.

To this end the Arts & Furnishing committee arranged to have the floor professionally cleaned, and we are happy to say members have already noted the improvement.

Next on our agenda is painting the walls. Jim Brunet has agreed to do all the prep work. That's the hard part. After that, let the painting party begin! We are looking for volunteers to do the rolling. That's the easy, fun part. The paint has been donated; all we need is you. Freshly painted walls will make a huge difference.

So, review your artwork and either lend or donate pieces to TBY. With your help, our social hall will proudly reflect the uniqueness and beauty of our heritage.

On October 3, Joyce Klein reported on the results of the boardwalk car raffle and thanked all those who worked all those months. She baked all the goodies for the Oneg that night. Here (from left) Joyce,



Myra Novick and Helene Caplan sample some of her delicious rugalah, apple cake and chocolate cake. Marsha Rosenstock also baked a delicious honey cake for the occasion.

—Photo by Marv Novick

Boardwalk Raffle Nets Over \$34,000

The Boardwalk Raffle was not as successful as we had hoped but through the hard work of 100 volunteers we were able to net \$34,318.62 for Temple Bat Yam. The shrinking economy had much to do with the lower amount of sales. Although we sold about 101,500 tickets, many of them were for lower dollar amounts. It will be four or five years before we are able to have a spot on the Caroline Street pad again. The Finance committee and the Board will have the job of allocating the proceeds of the raffle to do the most good over the next four years.

My sincere thanks to all who worked all summer on this project. Special thanks to George Rosenstock who picked up sales receipts and outfitted the booth with a car cover, lights, a fan, a heater and a shade. My thanks also to the Board for the beautiful roses presented to me at Friday night services on October 3.

—Joyce Klein, Car Raffle Chair

Thanks to All Boardwalk Workers

Karen Abrams, Phyllis Alpern, Gerty Apple, Bob Bachman, David & Janet Batlan, Joe & Barbara Bernstein, Ann Bright, Allen & Phyllis Brodsky, Jim Brunet, Sylvia Burkom, Larry & Helene Caplan, Grayce Cohen, Ron & Wendi Cohen, Stephanie Cohen, Sidney & Carole Eagle, Stu & Susanna Eisenman and Jake, Rochelle Elfman, Ed Fowler, Barry & Candy Gusst, Don Hamburg, Howard & Helen Hammerman, Larry & Ivy Hecker, Paul & Lana Helfner, Laurie Heller, Marcia Hirsch, Fritz Hoffman, Nancy Howard, Toni Jaffee, Arlene Joyner and Emily, Veronica Kahn, Norman Katz, Dot Kaufman, Don & Joyce Klein, Marion Klein, Richard & Jeri Lipov, Sy Longberg, Bob Lula, Linda Manion and Grant, Larry Michnick and Josh, Bud & Doris Mitnick, Dorothy Morse, Linda Mueller, Marvin & Myra Novick, Larry Pack, Hilda Plisko, Harold & Elaine Rabinowitz, Robin Rabinowitz, Debbie Resnick, Steve & Carol Rosen, Steve & Laura Rosenblatt, George & Marsha Rosenstock, Art Sachs, Jack Schachter, Mel Schwartz, Leslie Segall, Buddy Seigel, Jerry Selig, Russell & Caro Selig, Lauren Shanahan, Stu Smolins, Charlie Sorrentino, Rabbi Reena Spicehandler, Bob Strauss, Harvey Taylor, Cheryl Taustin, Jeff & Rina Thaler and Brandon, Mike & Eve Waldman, Rabbi Susan Warshaw, Billy & Rachel White, John Wilmuth, Ed Wirkman, Sandie Wodlinger.

Contribution Form

Please designate one: **Arts & Furnishings Fund, Yahrzeit, Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, Mortgage Fund, or General Fund.** Minimum contribution: \$5, Chai: \$18, Double Chai: \$36. *Send information & checks payable to Temple Bat Yam and Mail to:*

TEMPLE BAT YAM 11036 Worcester Highway, Berlin, MD 21811

Date _____ Fund _____

TO: Name _____

Address _____

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Message: (Sympathy, In Memory of, In honor of, etc.)

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