



BAT YAM

News and Views

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Commentary: by Rabbi Susan Warshaw

Why the High Holy Days Are Important

Recently I received a call in my office from the non-Jewish partner of a Jewish man. “Rabbi,” she asked, “I don’t understand why the High Holidays are so important to my husband. He never attends services during the year, yet at this time of year he insists on attending services and wants me to come with him. Can you please tell me what is so important about Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur?” I’d like to share part of my answer with you.

For many Jews in this country, even non-observant Jews, attending High Holiday services is a way of affirming that we are still part of the Jewish people. Coming to synagogue during these days is a way of demonstrating that we haven’t yet yielded to assimilation, haven’t broken the ancient chain of the Jewish people’s survival and continuity. Being with our people at services says that no matter how far we may have drifted from active involvement in the Jewish religion, we are still proud to be Jews and still care about being Jewish. Many times people come to holiday services because it makes them feel connected to the values of parents and grandpar-



ents, for whom our attendance (or absence) is a very powerful symbol.

For many American Jews, their “Jewishness” has very little to do with being religious. Rather, their Jewish identity is primarily ethnic or cultural or communal. They speak about Jewish holiday customs or Jewish ethical values or a feeling of connection they associate with being Jewish that seems to be somewhat separate from the Jewish religion. For them, the urgency of attending services may not be primarily about the religious significance of the ritual.

However, if you will be joining your Jewish partner to sit through a long and crowded synagogue service, it might be helpful to know a little more about what to expect and what the ritual means. For most Jews the term “High Holy Days” is the title given to a period of ten days

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Upcoming Events

Thursday, September 11, 7 pm—APN Psychotherapist Pam Marcus will discuss *Surviving the Emotional Storm of Stress*. Everyone is invited to attend (see story on Page 4).

Saturday, September 13, 7 pm—Havdalah (see details on Page 5).

Friday, October 3—A special Oneg will be held to honor boardwalk workers (see page 5).

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President's Report

I write this newsletter on the 45th day since taking office. In that short time, I have seen miraculous things happen in Temple Bat Yam. I have seen a new rabbi who is extremely energetic in trying to meet all the needs of the congregation. I have seen numerous people step up, who have willingly volunteered their time to create a loving Jewish community that we can all be proud of. The proof of the community I speak of was clearly seen during the recent art show and wine tasting.

For months, committee members Helen Hammerman, Jeri Lipov, Leslie Segall, Myra Novick, Marv Novick, Delores Pack, and Rina Thaler, worked diligently to put together this event, which was well thought out and beautifully executed. In addition, other members of the community joined in. The Sisterhood created outstanding desserts, George Rosenstock and Richard Lipov, aided in pickup and set up. Marsha Rosenstock aided in food preparation, cleanup and set up. Sandy Wodlinger (even with only one good leg) helped greet and performed recordkeeping. Jay Taustin and Stan Kahn made donations from their respective businesses (the Embers, and Carousel) for the silent auction. Incredible artists presented their art. Of course, let's not forget the rabbi who was there reaching out to all in attendance.

Numerous congregants have enjoyed Friday night services. For those who have not been to services in a while, you are missing something special. Rabbi Susan Warshaw conducts a beautiful service. Please join us on Friday, and enjoy the Jewish experience.

Over the past 45 days, I have had the pleasure of working with some outstanding individuals, who put in countless hours behind the scenes. They don't ask for kudos, they do it because they want to. They want help in the fabrication of a very strong, vital Jewish community on the Eastern Shore. I can't mention all their names, there are too many to fit in the small space Jeannette gives me. So, I'd like to say *thank you* for what you do. It is very much appreciated.

By the time you receive the newsletter, the High Holidays will be knocking at the door. I'm sure it will be a sweet year for the members of Temple Bat Yam. The rabbi, Vice Presidents George Rosenstock and Stu Eisenman, along with the Ritual Committee have been working together to get everything in place. Also, the rabbi and the Religious School committee have been working for the past few months setting the schedule and preparing an outstanding curriculum for the students. Delores Pack is planning many wonderful social events this year. Feel free to contact her to join her committee.

—Lawrence Michnick, President

Board Briefs

There is a change in the ticket policy for the High Holidays this year. Member families with teenagers at home will not need to buy tickets for their youngsters to attend services. Since we want to welcome all teens and encourage them to attend with their family, the Board of Directors revised the policy to provide tickets at no extra cost to those of post bar/bat mitzvah ages. As always, college students are offered tickets at no cost.

Officers

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

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Rina Thaler, Youth Director
Marion Klein, Sisterhood President
Richard S. Sternberger, Founding Rabbi

Newsletter Staff:

Jeannette Abrams - Editor
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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.

Art Show, Picnic, Provide Fun for All Ages

Temple Bat Yam's second annual Art Show & Wine Tasting turned out to be a rousing success. Not only did many more members display their art, but there was also a greater variety.

Beautiful photographs, paintings, sculptures, pottery, and other objects d'art were on display to look at and buy. There was also a silent auction of art work donated by the artists. Although this event was not a fund raiser, proceeds from the sales netted the Temple over \$550.

Another annual event—the picnic—was very much enjoyed by members and friends. It was good to see Rabbi Richard Sternberger enjoying the day.

Thanks go to Art Show Chair Jeri Lipov and her committee for putting such a delightful show together. And kudo go to social committee chair Dolores Pack and Hilda Plisko and Steve Rosen for the fun picnic. "Everyone pitched in to make these events memo-



(Above) everyone is chatting and enjoying the lovely art by TBY members. Above, right, President Larry Michnick talks about the unusual Kosher wines and offers samples. In photos, right, people line up to enjoy delicious food from Jimmy's Grille at the annual picnic. There was fun and games for everyone, including a huge blowup "bouncy" which evoked screams of delight from many of the children.

(Photos by Marv Novick & Jeannette Abrams)



HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE 2008

SELIHOT SERVICE

Saturday, September 20, 8:00 p.m.

ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES

Monday, September 29, Ma-ariv 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 30, Shacharit 10:00 a.m.

Youth Service 2:00 p.m.

YOM KIPPUR SERVICES

Wednesday, October 8, Kol Nidre 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 9, Shacharit 10: a.m.

Youth Service 2:00 p.m.

Afternoon Service 3:00 p.m.

Yizkor – Memorial Service 4:00 p.m.

Neilah Service 5:00 p.m.

Break the Fast at the Embers, Ocean City, 6:30 p.m. immediately following the conclusion of services.

Tickets required for services and Break the Fast.

Membership Committee Report

We want to be more welcoming to people who come to services, so we are instituting a new program featuring a host and/or hostess for each Shabbat. They will be in the lobby to extend a greeting to all, but especially to newcomers. At the end of the service, they will then introduce our new guests to the congregation. Hopefully, that will break the ice and start some conversations at the Oneg. We all know how uncomfortable it can feel to walk into a room full of strangers, and we hope that this will help us show what a warm and welcoming group we truly are! 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're also considering name badges for all, so let us know what you think about that idea and how we might implement it. In addition, if you know of any potential members, send us their contact information, so we can give them a personal call. Thanks.

—Helen and Ivy

Sisterhood Happenings

September begins a wonderful new year for Sisterhood. **Membership meetings are held the second Thursday of the month at 7 pm in the Social Hall.** Because of the Jewish Holidays and special events, please watch for changes in dates.

Over the summer, the Executive Board met several times to schedule exciting, entertaining and educational programs including speakers, musical evenings, special events, and luncheons for the coming year. Our traditional holiday celebrations will continue with a **Sisterhood Shabbat, Chanukah Gift Exchange, and Chanukah Potluck Dinner**, and, of course, our beautiful **Community Passover Seder**. Have an idea for a program? Talk to President **Marion Klein** or call her at 410-213-7309.

The Executive Board for the new year includes: **Marion Klein**, President; **Toni Jaffee**, Vice President; **Helene Caplan**, Treasurer; **Carol Schachter**, Corresponding Secretary; and **Debbie Resnick**, Recording Secretary. Committee Chairs include: **Linda Manion**, Membership Chair; **Sandie Wodlinger**, Rosh Chodesh Coordinator; **Marsha Rosenstock**, Oneg Chair, Toni Jaffee and **Candy Gusst**, Health Fair Co-Chairs. Your participation is always welcome, so if you would like to help on any of these committees, please call the committee chairs or Marion Klein. **Currently we are in need of a committee chair for the Passover Seder.**

Sisterhood meetings are open to all, but we would love **YOU** to become a member. If you have questions about **who we are and what we do**, please call Linda Manion, Membership Chair, at 410-524-9580 for more

Look for These Upcoming Events

Thursday, September 11, 7 pm: Pam Marcus will discuss how to deal with stress. This Sisterhood meeting will be open to the public.
Friday, October 10: Sisterhood Shabbat service.
Sunday, October 26: Farewell to snowbirds.
Thursday, November 20: Musical evening.
Thursday, December 11, 7 pm: Chanukah gift exchange.
Friday, December 19, 5:30 pm: Chanukah Pot Luck dinner.

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 appro-

Nurse Psychotherapist Pam Marcus to Talk About Surviving Stress in our Lives

How are you coping with stress in your life? Attend our September 11 meeting and hear our own Pam Marcus deliver a talk on *Surviving the Emotional Storm of Stress: How to Reduce the effects of Stress on Your Body and Your Mind*. This talk will include the definition of stress and how stress can effect the body as well as our emotions. An Advanced Practice Nurse Psychotherapist, Pam will discuss some current stressors in our lives, and will include several suggestions on reducing the impact of stressors on our body and emotions.

She is currently an Associate Professor of Nursing at Prince George's Community College as well as in private practice in Upper Marlboro, MD, where she provides psychotherapy to patients with a variety of diagnoses.

Pam was the former Clinical Director for the Crisis Response System where she provided direct patient care as well as clinical supervision for the mobile crisis dispatch team; urgent care clinic; Intensive Family in Home Team; and telephone triage for crisis intervention. She currently serves on the Peer Review Committee for two prestigious periodicals.

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

STAR QUALITY—Proud parents **Cheryl & Jay Taustin** report that son “**Kyler** completed his studies in three years and graduated Summa Cum Laude from Emerson College in Boston, MA on August 14 with a BA in Theater Studies. His major was Acting and Directing, and he completed his minor in Music Theory and Composition at Berklee School of Music. In October, Kyler will study digital filmmaking in Florida until his departure for Africa in January. He will travel to Tanzania as a volunteer with Students Partnership Worldwide to teach AIDS awareness and prevention to young people in remote villages through a unique theater, music, and art program.” Congratulations !

BOOK SIGNING—**Phyllis Brodsky** will be signing her book, *The Control of Childbirth* on Thursday, September 25 at the Ocean Pines Library at 6 pm. It's a very interesting book that traces childbirthing methods from ancient to modern times. Good luck Phyllis.

FAMILY FUN—**Muriel Seigel** reports that her son **Jerry**, his wife **Kathleen** and 16 year old daughter **Becca** spent a long weekend in Ocean Pines recently. “They enjoyed boating, swimming in the ocean and eating crabs. Having come from Colorado, these were big treats and they all had a great visit,” Muriel said. She also noted that she will be spending the month of September in Colorado with her daughter **Susan**, who recently returned from two weeks in Italy, where she treated Becca to a pre-graduation gift. The family will be celebrating Susan's 50th birthday in September.

Editor's note: Susan and my daughter **Marla Watts**, who will also be 50 in September, were high school buddies in

Attention Boardwalk Workers

You are invited to attend Friday night services on October 3. At that service the names of all the boardwalk workers will be read, the final raffle earnings will be announced and a special Oneg will be held after services. In this way everyone can be thanked and recognized for making this fund raiser a success.

—Joyce Klein

Arts & Furnishings Report

The Arts & Furnishings Committee is preparing to bring new life to the social hall. Art work was recently donated by Phyllis Alpern, Carol Schachter, Rina Thaler and Carole Eagle. They will add to the beautiful artwork previously donated by Sharon Caden. Look for them soon. If you are considering donating artwork, the Arts & Furnishings Committee will be happy to discuss space availability and guidelines for donations with you.

Levy Library Report

We want to extend our thanks to the many members and friends of Temple Bat Yam who have donated books to our library. We would like to have more people take advantage of what we have available. Take time to check in at the library and check out (very easy to do) some of our latest books. A great selection of children's books are available also.

—**Carol Schachter** for the Levy Library crew

Plan to Attend Next Havdalah for Food, Fun, Friendship

The next Havdalah will be held on Saturday, September 13 at 7 pm, at the home of **Marsha** and **George Rosenstock** in Berlin. After a short service, we will enjoy a pot luck dinner and a lively discussion. Please call Marsha at 410-629-1103, supezip@yahoo.com to let her know what you will be bringing: main dish, salad or dessert

If you would like to host a Havdalah and pot luck dinner at your home, please contact **Helen Hammerman** at 410-213-0336 or helenh33@comcast.net.

Children aged 10 or over are welcome to attend the Havdalahs.

SEPTEMBER 2008 YAHRZEITS

- 01 **Esther Brickner**
mother of Gloria Stein Furman
Rebecca Greenburg
mother of Harriet Paul
- 03 **Joyce Claire Schneider**
daughter of Leslie Segall
Ruth Taustin
mother of Jay Taustin
David Weltfisch
father of Jerry Wells
- 04 **Jacob Samuel Bowers**
father of Leonard Bowers
Bessie Weinberg
mother of Elaine Kaufman
- 05 **Fred Sandy**
father of Jerome Sandy
- 06 **Francis Katz**
mother of Joane Wolpin
- 07 **Samuel Robert Anzel**
grandfather of Karen Abrams
father of Judy Katsoyannos
Ira Novick
brother of Marvin Novick
Frieda Rosenstock
mother of George Rosenstock
Michael Pack
father of Irwin Pack
Philip Siegel
grandfather of Jodi Sabo
- 09 **Ruth Leber**
mother of Arleen Kroll
- 10 **Lillian Firestone**
mother of Phyllis Alpern
Hy Lipov
father of Richard Lipov
- 12 **Nathan Klioze**
father of Shirley Goodman
- 14 **Ida Swetlitz**
sister of Jack Goldstein
- 15 **Sol Levy**
brother-in-law of Elaine Levy
Irving James Lewis
father of Deborah Lewis-Idema
- 17 **Charles Rabinowitz**
father of Harold Rabinowitz
Milton Walcoff
husband of Rena Walcoff
- 18 **Beatrice Freeman**
aunt of Cheryl Taustin
David Greenspan
son of Michael & Heather Greenspan
Jack Stein
father of Marsha Sirman
- 19 **Henrietta Platt**
mother of George Platt
- 21 **Gertrude Bowers**
mother of Leonard Bowers
- 22 **Morris Gold**
father of Heather Greenspan
Sylvia Strauss
mother of Robert Strauss
- 24 **Stephanie Edelstein**
daughter of Gloria Stein Furman
- 25 **Sidney Green**
father of Bette Ann Felber
- 27 **Irving Brickner**
father of Gloria Stein Furman
Jerome Kahn
grandfather of Fred Kahn
- 28 **Rose B. Horwitz**
mother of Gladys Miller
Johnny Hitaffer
former son-in-law of Jeannette Abrams
- 30 **Selig Cohen**
father of Aaron Cohen
Marcia Meyers

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

It's another Mitzvah.



SEPTEMBER 2008 CONTRIBUTIONS

GENERAL FUND:

From: Carol & Russell Selig
~ in memory of Dr. Richard Winer.
From: Gloria & Bert Nestler
~ in honor of Lou Friedner on his 80th birthday, Keep on going Lou.
~ in honor of Marsha & George Rosenstock, congratulations on the birth of their beautiful granddaughter and for all your kindness.
From: Donald & Sherry Rubin
~ in honor of Dr. Louis I. Friedner, happy 80th birthday, 5 times Chai.
From: Marilyn & Marvin Levinson
~ wishing a happy birthday to Lou Friedner.
From: Leslie Segall & Ed Wirkman
~ Susanna, our heartfelt condolences on the death of your father.
~ Susan Warshaw, we welcome you to Temple Bat Yam with open arms and look joyfully to our future together.
From: Jeannette Abrams
~ to Marsha Rosenstock, Happy Birthday.
~ to Eve Waldman, Happy Birthday.
~ to Jake Eisenman, Have a fun birthday.
~ to Sandie Wodlinger, wishing you a full and speedy recovery.
~ to Bert Nestler, may you have a speedy recovery and return to us soon.
~ to Al Spieler, my prayers are with you for a speedy and full recovery.
~ to Charlie Bernhardt, congratulations for serving 25 years as cantor at Oseh Shalom. Enjoy the honors.
~ to Ray Resnick, wishing you a full recovery.
~to Lou Friedner, Happy 80th birthday and many more to come.
From: William & Gloria Esham, Jr.
~ in memory of Benjamin Daddlebaum.
From Harold & Elaine Rabinowitz
~ in honor of Lou Friedner's 80th birthday.
From Gerald & Sylvia Kassalow
~ in honor of the Rabinowitzes .
From: Jerry Selig
~ in honor of Lou Friedner's 80th birthday.
~ in memory of Richard Winer, cousin of Russell Selig, from Marblehead, Massachusetts
From: Marsha & George Rosenstock
~ to Helen Brown & Family, in loving memory of our dear friend Gerry Brown.
From: Mildred Klugman
~ to Rabbi Warshaw, thank you so much for your help during my wonderful Aliyam with my Sons, Mark & Kenn Venit
From: Mr. & Mrs. Paul Ravilious

~ in honor of the 80th birthday for Louis Friedner.

YAHARZEIT FUND:

From: Rabbi Susan Warshaw
~ in loving memory of my father, Judge Jack Green.
From: Michelle Schachter
~ in loving memory of my mother, Judy Lankford.
From: Hilda Plisko
~ in loving memory of my husband, Theodore Plisko.
From Harold Goldsmith
~ in loving memory of my mother, Eva Goldsmith.
From: Arthur Sachs
~ in loving memory of my sister, Sheila Sachs-Conlin.
~ in loving memory of my mother, Sylvia Sachs.
From: Howard Hammerman
~ in loving memory of my father, Thomas Hammerman.
From: Helen Hammerman
~ in loving memory of my mother, Hilda Islovitz.
From: Jeri Lipov
~ in loving memory of my mother, Lillian Jeane Stein Davis.
From: Ivy Hecker
~ in memory of my father, we love and miss you Joseph Steinberg.
From: Jack Goldstein
~ in loving memory of my father, Max Goldstein.
From: Harold Rabinowitz
~ in loving memory of my sister, Ruth Rabinowitz.
From: Gertrude Apple
~ in loving memory of my brother, Jack Poms
~ in loving memory of my sister-in-law, Shirley Poms
~ in loving memory of my nephew, Marc Poms
From: Jeri G. Loewenstern
~ in memory of my best friend and special brother, Dr. Richard Greenstein.
From: Janice & Al Speiler
~ in memory of father, Jack Kerman.
From: Gloria Furman

L' Shanah Tovah
May everyone have a
sweet, happy & healthy
New Year

**TEMPLE BAT YAM
SHABBAT FAMILY SERVICE CALENDAR
2008-2009 (5769)**

Family Services will be held the second Friday of the month.
Please see schedule below:

September 12, 2008, 7:00 p.m.

October: Family Service will not be held on Friday night. It will be held at Yom Kippur Services on October 9, 2008, 2:00 p.m.

November 14, 2008, 7:00 p.m.

December 12, 2008, 7:00 p.m.

January 9, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

February 13, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

March 13, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

April 2009: No Family Service due to Spring Break

May 8, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

ALL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FAMILIES ARE

**Youth Group Report
WANTED**

**13-17 year old Jewish teens
who want to...
save the world,
have some fun**

**and get together with other Jewish teens
When: Sunday September 14 - 12:00 Noon
Where: Temple Bat Yam youth lounge
For info call (410)726-7768**

Publicity Report

One of my duties as a Trustee is to put out press releases on Temple events. Below are a few guidelines that will make my job easier, and will help ensure coverage by the press. The chairman of the event is to email the basic information; who, what, when and where along with a picture of at least part of the committee to me at

**TEMPLE BAT YAM
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CALENDAR
2008-2009 (5769)**

Religious School Hours: 9:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon

SEPTEMBER 2008

September 14 First Day of Religious School
Parent Orientation

September 21

September 28 Rosh Hashanah

OCTOBER 2008

October 5 Yom Kippur

October 12 Sukkot Celebration

October 26 Simchat Torah Celebration

NOVEMBER 2008

November 9

November 16

DECEMBER 2008

December 7

December 14 Hanukkah Party

JANUARY 2009

January 11

January 25

FEBRUARY 2009

February 1

February 8 Tu B'Shevat Celebration

February 22

MARCH 2009

March 8 Mini-Megillah Reading & Purim Carnival

March 15

March 22

APRIL 2009

April 3 Passover Celebration, Mock Seder

April 19 Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance)

April 26 Celebration, Yom Ha Atzmaut (Israel's Independence)

MAY 2009

May 3 Last Day of Religious School

veronica.kahn@gmail.com I will write the release and send it back to the chairman for approval. Once approved, I will then send it to my press list. If you have a clear picture taken at a temple event, please identify the event and who appears in the picture and send that to me and I will send that out as well. Thanks.

—Veronica Kahn.

Commentary: by Rabbi Susan Warshaw

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that stretch between Rosh Hashanah (which means the first or “head” of the year) to Yom Kippur (the day of atonement). Both holidays have their basis in the Hebrew Bible (Leviticus 23:23-32) although the name Rosh Hashanah was not used until significantly later in Jewish history.

Rosh Hashanah ushers in the Jewish new year with a period of profound self-examination and repentance. It is a day of joyous celebration balanced against a humbling and solemn consideration of how well (or poorly) we have used the gift of the previous year. Tradition teaches us that God judges each of us individually and our community as a whole on Rosh Hashanah. Tradition also teaches that the result of God’s judgment will be a matter of life or death (either figurative or literal, depending on your theological orientation). Our prayers, songs, and rituals focus on confessing the ways we have gone astray, asking forgiveness for the occasions on which we have missed the mark, and committing ourselves to acts of repentance (in Hebrew called *t’shuvah*). We go through this process collectively; the emphasis being on “we” rather than “I,” which reflects the importance of community in Judaism.

On Rosh Hashanah listen for the sounding of the ram’s horn, the *shofar*, during the morning service. The sound of the *shofar* is a deeply moving call to renewed awareness and action. We eat apples and honey for a sweet new year, and greet others with the words “*shanah tovah*,” a good year.

Yom Kippur begins in the evening ten days later. Its mood is one of deep solemnity, contrition and humility. According to tradition the judgments begun on Rosh Hashanah are sealed and finalized on Yom Kippur. Many Jews fast on Yom Kippur, and spend almost the entire day in the synagogue. The observance ends with the setting of the sun. A final sounding of the *shofar* marks the end of this intensely spiritual day.

The heart of Yom Kippur observance is its liturgy. The opening, evening service centers around an ancient formula known as *Kol Nidre*. *Kol Nidre* is actually an ancient legal formula that absolves us of vows and oaths (between God and ourselves, but not between ourselves and others) that we may take between this Yom Kippur and the next one. For many people, it is the music of *Kol Nidre* that is the most moving and powerful part of this service.

At the end of the day of Yom Kippur a memorial service called *Yizkor* is observed. This service honors loved

Last Call For Help

The Ford Mustang is paid for. That means that the money for every ticket sold is profit for the Temple. It also means we must double our efforts to sell as much as possible on the boardwalk and to our friends and family. Your sales will result in much needed funds for future expenses. Due to cancellations, the following slots need to be filled:



Friday, Sept. 5, from 2 to 6, Sat. Sept. 6, from 2 to 6, Mon. Sept. 8, from 2 to 6, Sun. Sept. 21, 10 to 2.

If you are able to cover any of them, please let the office know. The Sunday, Sept. 21 shift will be very busy—it's the morning of the drawing—so two people are needed to work that shift.

Thanks.

—Joyce Klein, 410-250-0544 or 443-614-4974

Religious Service Committee

Religious Service Committee Chair Marsha Rosenstock and committee members, Cantor Cheryl Taustin, Sandy Wodlinger and the rabbi are working to enhance services and give honors to all who want to participate. If you want to carry the Torah, say the blessing or light the candles, just let Marsha know and she will arrange a time for you.

ones who have died. As Yom Kippur draws to a close the observance concludes with the *Neilah*, or locking, service. This is a final chance to repent before the symbolic gates of repentance are closed and locked to us.

There are many details which I have left out. If you would like to learn more about the holidays please feel free to contact me. May I be one of the first to wish you a healthy and fulfilling new year. *Shanah Tovah!*

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

Benefactors 2008-2009

Melvin & Janis Schwartz
Christopher & Judith Galuardi
Jack & Michelle Schachter
Philip & Jo Anne Glazer
Harold & Elaine Rabinowitz
Jonathan & Terry Bell
Bert & Gloria Nestler

Change of Address

Please make the following changes in your Temple Directory.

NEW ADDRESS

Dot Kaufman

5260 N.W. 2nd St., Apt. 109
Boca Raton, FL 33487
561-988-1297

Sidney & Carole Eagle

1229 Carrollton Lane
Berlin, MD 21811

Rabbi Susan Warshaw

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Alexandria, VA 22306
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Russell & Carol Selig

(May to November)
PO Box 1108
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rselig@aol.com
(November to May)
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Delray Beach, FL 33445

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Nelson Davidson

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Sanford & Karen Abrams

kabrams0627@aol.com

Laurie Heller

queensgirl01@comcast.net

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.

1...2...3 Lottery Game = Cash

Temple Bat Yam has renewed its 1..2..3 Lottery game for 2008-2009. Your lucky number may still be available.

If you are interested, please contact the Temple office to check and see if you can keep your old number. Or you may want to add new numbers to hedge your bet. You may respond via e-mail, fax or a phone call to 410-641-4311 to reserve your lucky number. Remember, each Wednesday night, the Pick 3 MD Lottery number results in a winning number for 1...2...3 Lottery players (or the Temple, if no one purchased the winning number).

Be sure you buy a number between 00 and 99.

You could win \$50 a week.

Want to Join Something That's Going to be Fun?

Why not join the Social Committee? I have taken on the challenge because I want to help to make temple Bat Yam a fun place where we all want to be. I promise not to waste your time on unnecessary meetings. We can decide what needs to be done, divvy up the jobs and make it happen.

I need creative thinkers who aren't afraid to throw out ideas that can meet our community objectives, and have an open mind. I have many, many ideas and want to make them all happen, but I need a good working group to help me. Here are some of the activities I hope to plan:

- Mah Jongg Tournament
- Bat Yam Tennis Night
- Italian Night
- Couples Club
- Progressive Dinners
- Mom's Get Away Weekend
- Welcome to the World (infant program)
- Family Weekend Activity

....and many, many more that you will love ...or not.

We can all work on it together, brainstorm, and make it what we want it to be. Come on, join me, and Let's Play. With our efforts, we will get new members and grow while we build a wonderful future for Temple Bat Yam. Email me, dpack@cbmove.com if you are interested.

—Delores Pack, Social Copmmitte Chair

Volunteers Needed to Help Clean the Grounds for the High Holidays

Help is needed to clean up the outside before the high holidays. September 21st is the day to pull weeds and spruce up a bit. Please call George Rosenstock at 410-629-1103 to sign up.

—George Rosenstock

Finance Committee Report

The finance committee welcomes suggestions and input from all the members of Temple Bat Yam. If anyone has any thoughts to bring to the committee, please do so by email. If a member would like to come to a meeting and share thoughts or would like to see what the committee is all about, please do so. Ask Ed at the Temple office for the dates and times we meet. The committee is in need of one or two members to join our discussion group for this year. Please Call Jay or Ed at the Temple office to join in and be put on our NEWS list.

TEMPLE BAT YAM'S GROUP BLOOD PLAN

During August, an attempt was made to resurrect the dormant Group Blood Plan. The result, 19 members joined the Group Blood Plan and will derive the benefit of blood coverage for themselves and their dependents, locally and throughout the US. To keep things in perspective, those who will benefit the most are the recipients who will receive the blood donated.

Anyone still wishing to join the Group Blood Plan can fill out an enrollment form that can be found on the literature table in the Temple hall or obtain one from Marv Novick. The completed form, without social security number, must be given to Marv to turn into the Blood Bank of Delmarva. Annual dues will be begin in March, 2009 and are \$5 for those under 65 and for those older it will be \$5 for the year and \$2 thereafter. Plan members 75 and over do not have to donate blood. If you have any questions about the Group Plan, contact Marv by phone at 410-912-0155 or e-mail at marvinn@comcast.net



Pictured are Marv and Myra at the annual picnic.

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 _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

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

From: _____ Member of Temple? Yes__ No__
Address _____
City, State, Zip Code _____

**Check out Channel 78 in Ocean Pines.
Temple Bat Yam is listed among
the houses of worship in the area.**

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

If you need to reach our president, **Larry Michnick**, you can call him at 410-352-9923 or email at michnick@atlanticdental.com.

To reach Rabbi **Susan Warshaw**, rabbiiwarshaw@templebatyam-oc.org. For additional information, call the Temple office at 410-641-4311. The Temple's **FAX number: 410-641-4389**.

To reach the newsletter editor **Jeannette Abrams**, call 410-641-6587 or email jga1933@aol.com.

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Join a Committee, Help Support Temple Activities

Temple Bat Yam has many important activities that benefit the congregation as well as the community. Please join one of these committees and help make our programs the best ever. Contact these chairpersons to sign up.

Membership — Helen Hammerman, helenh13@comcast.net or Ivy Hecker, ivyhecker@earthlink.net.

Finance — Jay Taustin, jaytaustin@embers.com

Religious Education — Becky Brunet, brunets4@msn.com

Ritual — Marsha Rosenstock, supezip@yahoo.com

Arts & Furnishings — Jeri Lipov, jerilipov@mchsi.com or Sandie Wodlinger, sandie@mchsi.com.

Publicity — Veronica Kahn, veronica.kahn@gmail.com.

Library — Grayce Cohen, graycearon@msn.com.

Social — Delores Pack, pack@cdsystems.com.

House — George Rosenstock, supezip@yahoo.com.

Chairs Needed for Vital Committees

The following committees need chairpersons:

Fund raising. This committee oversees all of the Temple's fund raising activities.

Adult Jewish Growth. This committee provides adult educational program including Hebrew and history.

Social Outreach. If you love Mitzvah Day, this is the committee for you. This committee also connects with community churches and charities.

Contact President **Larry Michnick**, michnick@atlanticdental.com to sign up.