

# THE SHOFAR

## BULLETIN

of **TEMPLE BET YAM**



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### *From the Desk of the Rabbi...*

Everything today is becoming more and more complicated: cell phones, computers, TVs, and even cars. It feels as if we can't have anything simple today without totally dumbing it down.

Is that also true with Judaism and religion as well? Theology and ritual may be complex, but clarifying the basics—neither ignoring nor obfuscating—should be our objective.

The Holy Day season and a new year on the Jewish calendar is a good time to review the set policies of *kashrut* at TBY. We do not require kosher meat, nor separate dishes, nor the many regulations and restrictions of traditional practice. Reform Judaism allows personal autonomy to decide which practices to follow at home or in the community. However, TBY as a synagogue community has to respect a minimum of practice within the wider realm of Judaic expectations, and so we have adhered to the following:

- ▶ No pork, bacon products nor shellfish are permitted.
- ▶ A pot luck dinner casserole cannot have both dairy & meat.
- ▶ Dairy & meat may be offered at the same time, if served:
  - ▶ on separate plates, set apart [at end or another table]
  - ▶ and other food choices are available.

These basic criteria have helped us successfully function as a Reform Temple with an overwhelming consensus of liberal practice. What we choose individually at home may be different from what our congregation observes because TBY makes a statement about all of us and other Jews. If you have questions about appropriate foods, whether at a meeting function, service or Holiday meal, or any event, feel free to contact me in advance.

**Fred M. Raskind, Rabbi**

### Save the Date!

#### The Full Monty!

We bought out the house at the Limelight  
Saturday night, October 14<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 Hors d'oeuvres, 7:30 Performance

#### Gigantic Yard Sale!

Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
on the Temple Lawn

#### Sisterhood Happenings!

- Tuesday October 17, 7:15 p.m., at the Temple. Book Club will discuss *Clara and Mr. Tiffany*, by Susan Vreeland
- Tuesday, October 24 – Opening meeting at South Beach Grill in Vilano Beach for lunch.

#### Men's Club Goings On!

- Tuesday evening November 14 – Dinner at local restaurant followed by 7:30 pm basketball game at Flagler College (free to county residents). All are welcome.
- Thursday evening November 30 - Film Night at TBY. All are welcome.
- Thursday evening December 21 – Annual Men's Club Chanukah Party latkes and dinner at the Gypsy Cab Co. Restaurant.

**But don't forget Life Long Learning!**

Wednesday, October 11, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Megillah track:  
*Ecclesiastes*, for Sukkoth

Wednesday, October 25, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Discussion track  
How have shifts in American life  
and education impacted Jews?

## October Dates to Remember

**Tuesday, , October 3**

6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Board Meeting

**Wednesday, October 4**

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Sukkot Service,  
followed by Pizza

**Sunday, October 8**

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Religious School

**Monday, October 9**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Choir Practice

**Wednesday, October 11**

10:00 11:30 a.m. Lifelong Learning: Megillah track  
*Ecclesiastes* for Sukkot

**Friday, October 13**

6:30 Shabbat Service / Simchat Torah /  
Religious School Consecration  
**NOTE THE EARLIER TIME!**

**Saturday, October 14**

**(The Full Monty! at Limelight Theatre)**  
6:30 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres  
7:30 - 10:30 p.m. Performance

**Monday, October 16**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Choir Practice

**Sunday, October 22**

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Religious School

**Monday, October 23**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Choir Practice

**Tuesday, October 24**

12:30 - 2:00 p.m. Sisterhood Meeting / Lunch  
South Beach Grill, Vilano Beach

**Wednesday, October 25**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Lifelong Learning: Discussion -  
How have shifts in American life and  
education impacted Jews?

**Friday, October 27**

7:30 Shabbat Service .

**Sunday, October 29**

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Yard Sale

**Monday, October 30**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Choir Practice

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**Reminder: Onegs are a responsibility  
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not just of Sisterhood.  
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