

THE SHO FAR

of **TEMPLE BET YAM**

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September 2017

Elul / Tishri 5777 - 5778

HIGH HOLY DAYS SERVICE SCHEDULE



Selichot: Saturday, September 16

5-6 p.m. Following the hour-long discussion, there will be a snack of wine and cheese

6:15 p.m., Selichot Service

Erev Rosh HaShanah: Wednesday, September 20th, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Rosh HaShanah Day: Thursday, September 21st

9:00 a.m. Children's Service

10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Service

Followed by Tashlich at Treaty Park

Kol Nidrei / Erev Yom Kippur: Friday, September 29th, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Yom Kippur Day: Saturday, September 30th

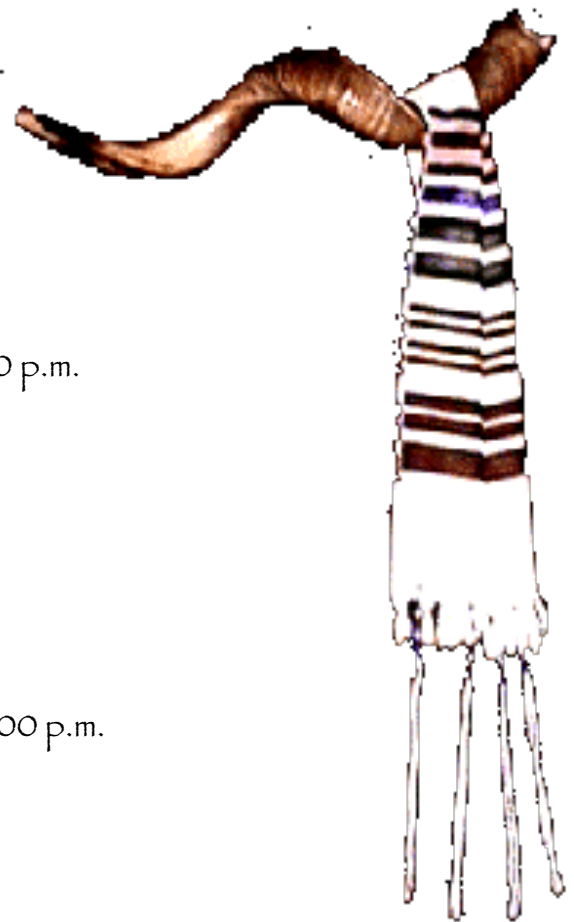
9:00 a.m. Children's Service

10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Morning Service

3:00 - about 4:00 p.m. Afternoon Service

4:15 p.m. (approximately) Yizkor, Neilah, Havdalah

Break-the-Fast follows the Neila Service



HEADS UP ALERT!
Membership Fair coming up
on Sunday, September 10,
from 1 - 3:00 p.m.
See inside, page 12

From the Desk of the Rabbi...

Rabbi Fred Raskind



I remember the old television series, *Have Gun – Will Travel* [1957-1963] with Richard Boone and his role as Paladin, the intelligent and sophisticated but tough gun-for-hire in the late 19th-century American West. Boone won Emmy nominations

in 1959 & 1960.

In the 1960s and 1970s, Boone assisted the Israeli film industry at its inception. He appeared in the first Israeli-produced film shot outside Israel, the *Western Madron* (1970). In 1979, he received an award from Israeli PM Yitzhak Rabin for his contribution to Israeli cinema.

Richard Boone moved to St. Augustine, Florida, in 1970 and worked with the production of *Cross and Sword*. During the 1970s, he wrote a newspaper column for the *St. Augustine Record* called, "It Seems to Me", and gave acting lectures at Flagler College in 1972–1973. In the last year of his life, he was appointed Florida's cultural ambassador. He died in St. Augustine of pneumonia; his ashes were scattered in the ocean.

Boone's father was a descendant of a brother of frontiersman Daniel Boone, but his mother, the daughter of immigrants from Russia, was Jewish!

All this occurred before Temple Bet Yam was organized. TBY was founded as an anchor, a place for talented, diverse, and interesting Jews to gather. As we approach a new year, let us continue to seek out, invite, and attract the many Jews who are arriving here in large numbers—for their benefit as well as our own as a Jewish community. After all, wouldn't it have been fascinating to have talked to Richard Boone?

Shanah Tovah to you and yours: May 5778 be for our People and all peoples a year of peace, safety, and prosperity. Fred M. Raskind, Rabbi

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Nancy Sorkin



Summer is supposed to be a time to sit back and relax, catch up on all the beach reading there wasn't time for during the rest of the year, travel up north to escape the heat and humidity and just veg out. Incidentally, when I first moved to

Florida from Indiana, I discovered that "up north" here means North Carolina. My condo in Michigan was an extreme definition of up north!

As for vegging out and relaxing, that isn't the case here at TBY. Preparations for our three lay-led summer services required a great deal of time with attention to logistics for smooth transitions. Because our Ways and Means Chairs don't want us to be bored, they made sure we were enticed to get together for bingo, bunco, and trivia. Sisterhood treated our men to a Father's Day bowling party. We also came together to memorialize our dear, departed Bud Carr. And the Board, with our seven new members, required an orientation session.

But now that is behind us. The new year has begun with our Religious School well under way. We are all excited with the fresh ideas being offered by our new Lead Teacher/Coordinator, Terry Cohen, and the Religious School Trustee on the Board, Ryan Carter. And we welcome Rivkah Fuhrmann who has joined Emily Brown and Merri Meiselman as part of the teaching staff. Ellen Miller and Elliot Stone, as new Membership Chairs, are also bringing exciting ideas for increasing our numbers and retaining those who are already with us. We are looking forward to a successful Membership Fair on September 10th.

And of course, in Judaism the *new year* always means the High Holy Days. We come together in large numbers to reflect upon the past year, think about what will make this a better world for ourselves and others, and commit ourselves to doing our part to make this happen. Please join me and all of your Temple Bet Yam family in making these goals come true.

L'Shalom,

Nancy

If you or your children at college won't be with us for either or both of the High Holy Days, be sure to request a courtesy seating letter from our office NOW to attend High Holy Day services at another Reform congregation, as long as your current membership is in good standing.

— CELEBRATORY WALL —
SIMCHA...ANNIVERSARY...
GRANDCHILD...SPECIAL BIRTHDAY

Have you recently walked back to see our Celebratory Wall? Think about taking that short walk. Notice our fig tree, sit on the bench, take time to reflect, read the plaques on the wall.



We, at TBY, thankfully have so many occasions to celebrate. Think about celebrating a simcha in your family or honoring a TBY member by adding a plaque to the Celebratory Wall.



For additional information and order form please contact Phyllis Keiser.

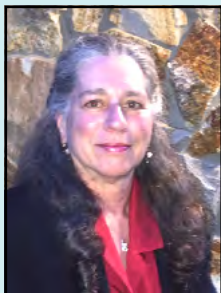
NEWS FROM YOUR COMMITTEES

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Terry Cohen, Lead Teacher / Coordinator

and

Ryan Carter, Representative to the Board



As Religious School Trustee on the Temple Board, I am the chairman of the TBY Religious School Committee this year. During the summer, we have been working hard to prepare for the coming year. We're very excited and look forward to teaching children Jewish rituals, traditions, and values. Our mission is "to help children develop a positive Jewish Identity based on a knowledge of Jewish culture, tradition, and religion so they can actively participate in Jewish life in the community, synagogue, and at home."

Terry Cohen will be the Lead Teacher, teaching the Bet class (grades 4 and 5), Rivkah Fuhrmann will be teaching the Alef class (grades K through 3), and Emily Brown will be teaching the Gimel class (grades 6 and 7).

Religious school has already begun and we look forward in future Shofars to sharing with you what we are doing. It was a pleasure meeting all the children and their parents at our August meeting. We are off to a good start!



Ryan Carter

RITUAL

Chuck Meiselman

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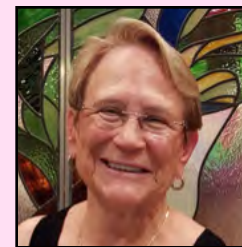
Terre Wallach



As we were about to enter the summer months of 2017, Rabbi Raskind led four services in the month of June.

On Friday, June 2nd, TBY:

- Installed the new Board of Trustees.
- Celebrated Shavuot, the holy day that commemorates the revelation of the Torah on Mt. Sinai to the Jewish people.
- Blessed and celebrated our newly repaired Torah as we remembered Shavuot



On Friday and Saturday, June 9th and 10th, we joined the Feldman family as Ben Feldman became a bar mitzvah.

On June 7th, the Temple Bet Yam family joined our dear friend, Bud Carr, in a memorial service for his wife, Paula.

During the months of July and August, we had three well attended lay-led Shabbat services:

- The Board of Trustees on July 21st, where Rabbi Raskind read The Torah portion and offered his sermon
- The Sisterhood on August 4th, where Reverend Ruth Jensen-Forbell provided the Torah commentary.
- The Men's Club on August 18th, where Elliott Palevsky gave his interpretation of the Torah reading.

Sadly, on August 10th, Elliot Stone led us in another memorial service, this time for Bud Carr himself.

Ritual is currently working with Rabbi Raskind and The TBY Choir in preparation for the 2017 High Holy Days. It is our tradition at Temple Bet Yam to honor members by asking them to take part in our High Holy Days services. Please look for an email questionnaire regarding this participation and respond if you wish to be on the bimah on Rosh Hashanah and/or Yom Kippur.

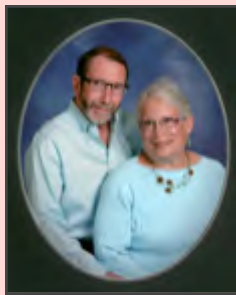
It's Ritual's goals in the 2017-2018 to continue to work with the Rabbi and Congregation in making our spiritual home meaningful to all of us.

ONEGS

Reminder: Onegs are a responsibility of Temple membership, not just of Sisterhood. If you have not yet signed up for a date, please contact Babs Kushner at metza12nyc@yahoo.com. Thanks.

LIFE LONG LEARNING

Ruth and Larry Kurlandsky



Over the summer, your Life-long Learning chairs and Rabbi Fred developed a calendar of learning events for the coming year. Once again, there will be two tracks:

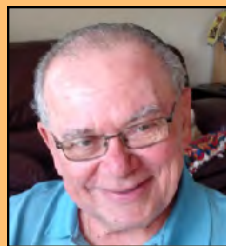
- 1) The Megillah track: There are five megillot in our sacred writings; we will study four of them plus Maccabees, which is found in some Christian bibles, but not our own. Why not? Here is the schedule: (These will meet from 10-11:30 am.)
 - a. October 11: Ecclesiastes, for Sukkot
 - b. December 6: Maccabees
 - c. February 28: Esther, for Purim
 - d. March 21: Song of Songs, for Pesach
 - e. May 16: Ruth, for Shavuot
- 2) The discussion track, on various topics:
 - a. October 25, 7-8:30 pm: How have shifts in *American* life and education impacted Jews?
 - b. November 29, 11:30am-1pm: What is Israel's recent "conversion bill" and why are we so angry?
 - c. January 31, 11:30am-1pm: Tu B'Shvat Seder; Judaism & Environment. Led by Larry Kurlandsky
 - d. April 13, during Shabbat Service: Andrew Nagorski will return. If you missed him last year, come, because he was a great speaker. If you heard him last year, come again—it will be a different topic. Commemoration of Yom HaShoah.

It's always possible to have another learning opportunity. If you have ideas, suggestions, requests, please feel free to contact us:

ruth.kurlandsky@gmail.com,
LEKurlandsky@yahoo.com.

FACILITIES

Frank Kinkela



It has been a reasonably quiet summer for Facilities, and that is typically very good news.

It had been at least eight or nine years since the last time the building had been re-keyed. This has now been accomplished. St.

Johns County Fire & Rescue were duly notified and a new key was provided to a fire inspector for insertion into the outdoor lockbox. Security and safety first!

We have been researching two projects over the past couple months. These projects relate to investigating methods of finding and/or making more storage space:

- The bane of our spatial existence is chairs, chairs, and more chairs, and alas, no place to store them. We have gotten a few thoughtful, valid ideas from members and we thank them. Those and others are being analyzed for viability and cost considerations.
- A second, general storage space related project is being examined as well. Research is continuing.

Please feel free to report any issues, problems, or concerns relating to facilities to me at fmk3377@comcast.net.



...And don't forget to take home all leftover or uneaten food!

WAYS & MEANS

Carol & Bernie Levy



The Ways and Means Committee, in conjunction with some really hard working members of TBY, have been providing a range of summer events loaded with fun, food, and frolic. Some events were new to Bet Yam while others were old favorites. As word has spread that the summer means fun at TBY, more and more people, both congregants and members of the community, have been attending. The result has been “icing on the cake” for a very successful Ways and Means/TBY year.

Our summer events began in June with Bingo and Pizza. July introduced many attendees to a fun dice game known as Bunco. Finally, in August, Kevin Allard again ran a night of Trivia. Snacks, desserts and even a meal were enjoyed and prizes were awarded at each activity. Many thanks to the Brown family who donated the pizza and the Millers who donated the bunco prizes.

The next event will be in October when TBY has again reserved the Limelight Theatre for its production of *The Full Monty*. For those of you that have some knowledge of the play, please note that this version is staged to be suitable for PG audiences.

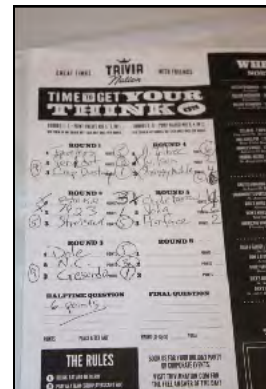
Finally, at the end of October, TBY will be holding its second Yard Sale. Please start to hold on to those items which you can donate. We will be collecting them just before the event. No clothes or bed pillows please. Help us make this fund raiser a success.

And for those of you who have been holding back, why not just let go and join us for a lot of fun in the coming year? Meet lots of friendly, hard working people, help out TBY, and have some fun along the way.

Bernie with the all-important Bunco dice!



Trivia Nite!



Top row: Welcoming all for coming, Carol serving food
 Middle row: Caller Kevin Allard, Rogove table
 Bottom row: Ben & Bill getting dessert, trivia score card.
 All photos with thanks to Bernie Levy



THE FULL MONTY



SATURDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 14TH...WE HAVE THE FULL HOUSE
HORS D'OEUVRES SERVED AT 6:30PM



PERFORMANCE AT 7:30PM



TICKETS ARE \$30

A TEMPLE BET YAM FUNDRAISING EVENT AT THE LIMELIGHT THEATER

11 Old Mission Ave. Saint Augustine, FL 32084 904-825-1164

Contact Terre Wallach at 904-826-0281 or email terretsp@bellsouth.net
for more information and ticket sales.



ORDER FORM



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (home): _____ (cell): _____

Email: _____

of tickets: _____ Amount enclosed: \$ _____ cash/\$ _____ check # _____

Please make checks payable to Temple Bet Yam and note "Limelight/The Full Monty" in memo.
Mail to: Temple Bet Yam, PO Box 860098, St. Augustine, FL 32086.

CALLING ALL TBY MEMBERS!

SAVE YOUR STUFF FOR OUR



GIGANTIC YARD SALE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

8 A.M. - 3 P.M.

On the Temple Lawn

In case of rain we will hold this inside.

- **Item drop off will be Sat. October 28 ONLY, more details to follow**
- **Note: NO clothing or bed pillows**
- **Electronics should be in working condition.**

Help us to make this a great fundraiser for TBY!

Carol Levy and Carol Gladstone



SOCIAL JUSTICE

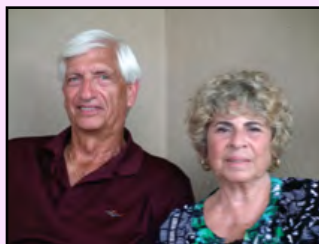
Andi and Joe Marx



Over the past year, TBY has been collecting food, clothing and other items for St. Francis House which sustained major damage during Hurricane Matthew. As the High Holidays approach, we again ask you to please be as generous as you can and bring your non-perishable food items to Temple whenever it is convenient for you and we will deliver to St Francis House. They have been extremely appreciative of our six deliveries so far this year.

Our request for plastic bags to make plarn used to crochet sleeping mats has been so successful, we now request that you hold off on bringing any more plastic bags to Temple. We have more than enough for the foreseeable future.

Dining With Dignity continues in our tradition of helping those less fortunate than us. This is an initiative to help feed those in need with our partner St. Paul's AME Church. There is a sign-up sheet in the



lobby for the 2017 - 18 season. It is a very enjoyable way to help our community and meet new people you may not otherwise have contact with. If this sounds like something of interest, please put your name on the list or contact Andrea or Joe for further information.

The Social Justice Committee is also pleased to announce that we now have the first Assisted Living Facility certified in the Music & Memory program. Leah Black, who started a GoFundMe campaign as her Bat Mitzvah project, has donated six iPods and headphones plus iTunes cards to Riverside Cottages so they can begin producing personalized playlists for some of their residents. Congratulations Leah.

Please watch for announcements about this year's Interfaith Thanksgiving program scheduled for November 20th at the Basilica.



Michele Carmines, co-owner of Riverside Cottages,
with Leah Black holding items she collected for the Music and Memory project program

With thanks to Joe Marx, photographer



The Jacksonville Jewish News keeps the Jewish community in Duval, St. Johns, and other neighboring counties aware and up to date about what's going on in the vibrant Jewish world of Northeast Florida.

The JJN is free. If you would like to be added to their mailing list to receive your personal copy, either call the general office number at 904-448-5000, or email info@jewishjacksonville.org to request your copy.

LOOKING TO DO A MITZVAH?

Mitzvah Mob

Patty Savage



The Mitzvah Mob is here to offer assistance to any TBY member in need. Oftentimes, the service requested is a car ride, but occasionally it is for other things. Please call or email me, Patty Savage, at [904-940-9604](tel:904-940-9604) or pattysavage645@gmail.com if you are in need of assistance and/or would like to join the Mitzvah Mob.



Shalom



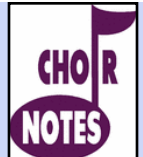
Board Notes

Reminder:

Any member of the congregation who desires to do so may attend Board meetings as an observer. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Anyone who wants a copy of the minutes should contact Terry Cohen at terrycohen@gmail.com.

SHIR-U L'ADONAI

Emily Brown



We've been hard at work on a new version of *Shalom Rav*. This has been one of the hardest songs we've ever learned because the singers who usually sing melody are singing harmony. We hope you enjoyed hearing it as much as we enjoyed performing it. Mastering a hard piece and then performing it brings about a wonderful feeling of satisfaction.

As we approach the High Holy Days, our music is being refreshed in our memories and we look forward to sharing these holiest of days with you all.

Until next time remember, God loves humming.

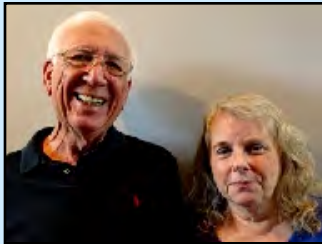


A gathering of the multitudes of TBY well wishers to congratulate Briggs Hurley on the occasion of his ordination to the priesthood in June of 2017.

Photo with thanks to Joe Marx

MEMBERSHIP

Elliot Stone and Ellen Miller



CALLING ALL TBY MEMBERS



The membership committee has been working hard to let people know about us. We are speaking with several prospective members and encourage you to do so as well. If you know someone who is looking for a synagogue, please tell them about Temple Bet Yam: a warm and welcoming inclusive congregation whose members enjoy many activities and events. Invite former members and unaffiliated friends of TBY to join you at these events and services.

Introducing the Newmans.....

Susan and Martin Newman moved from Miami, Florida, to Saint Augustine in January 2017. Susan had a career as a medical technologist, and retired in 2016 from Baptist Health System of Miami Florida. She enjoys



reading and beading jewelry. Martin worked in IT and retired after 37 years at the same company.

Susan and Martin have two wonderful sons, Lon and Seth. Lon is presently serving in the US Air Force stationed in Hawaii. Seth has presently returned to college. He and his wife Mirian (daughter-in-love) and their beautiful (smart,, good, chock full of personality, opinionated) two-year old daughter, Eliana, live in Ohio.

Membership Fair

On Sunday, September 10, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., we will hold a Membership Fair/Open House for prospective members. Refreshments will be served.

Mazel Tov!
Look what we have
done!



Mazel Tov to our local celebrities. Three of our members volunteer on WFCF 88.5 FM, Flagler College's radio station. Leo McCarthy presents classical music on For the Love of Music Live on Mondays from 11:00 to 1:00. (Meri and Leo celebrate their 50th anniversary this month!) Ellen Grolman presents Music of our Mothers, dedicated exclusively to classical music by women, live on Wednesdays from 1:00 to 3:00. And Keith Schlegel records poetry that is presented at noon daily, Monday through Friday.

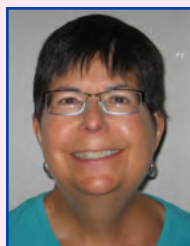
Look what we have done!

Let us know
of your accomplishments...
this is the spot to brag!
It's all in the family,
and we're proud of each and every
one of you!

SISTERHOOD AND MEN'S CLUB ACTIVITIES

SISTERHOOD

Cathy Kasriel and *Renee Speisman*



The Sisterhood co-presidents are looking forward to the coming year in which Sisterhood can educate our members, socialize, and perform



mitzvah for both TBY

and the wider community. Our opening meeting will be on September 12th at 6:00 pm, and will combine these facets well. It will be a covered dish dinner with a great speaker. TBY member Karen Selig, a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and Health Consultant who worked with Consultants for Change, will discuss forgiveness or some other High Holiday theme for one's own mental health.

No regular meeting is scheduled in October, but due to the positive response to the Sisterhood lunch at Beaches at Vilano in July, we are thinking that another such event on the other side of town would be fun.

Many thanks to all the members who participated in the Sisterhood Shabbat on August 4th, especially Nancy Sorkin and Bobbi Carman who organized the event. Many thanks to the TBY Men's Club for providing the ice cream Oneg following the service.

Book Club News

Book Club will start again in October after a summer holiday.

October 17: *Clara and Mr. Tiffany* by Susan Vreeland, led by Bobbi Carman and Nancy Sorkin

November 14: *The Man in the Blue Moon* by Michael Morris, led by Cathy Kasriel and Sharon Rice

December: TBD - Keep your eye out for an eblast for further announcements of programs.

Meetings will be held at TBY from 7:15 to 8:30

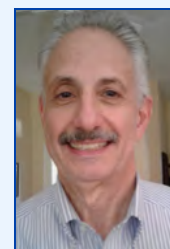


MEN'S CLUB

Dave Kasriel and *Bruce Simon*



In July the Men's Club had a meal at one of our favorite restaurants, Gypsy Cab Co. We enjoyed a little trivia and discussion of



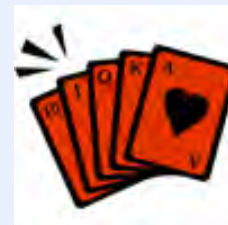
activities for the coming year. In August, we enjoyed an afternoon of Bistro (at the Rype and Read Bistro in Elkton) and Billiards. Thanks to Sheldon Beasley for arranging use of his clubhouse at Coquina Crossing. We also sponsored an ice cream oneg for the August 4th Shabbat service and Bernie Levy ably led the August 18th Men's Club Shabbat service.

We don't have the entire schedule for the remainder of 2017 and may not schedule any activities in September and October due to the High Holidays and other TBY events. However, we are exploring the possibility of attending a local sports game this fall.

Planned events:

- Thursday evening at TBY - November 30 Film Night with help again from Joe Marx. All will be invited to this event.
- Thursday evening December 21 – Annual Chanukah Party dinner and latkes at the Gypsy Cab Co. Restaurant

If anyone is interested in joining the off-site poker club, please contact Sheldon Beasley. Though we have a full house, please let us know if you want to be placed on the waiting list or be advised of future games.





July Luncheon meeting at the Vilano Beaches Restaurant.
Photo with thanks to Cathy Kasriel

OUR TEMPLE FAMILY

HH Greetings 5778 / 2017

AS WE ENTER 5778, WE WISH ALL CONGREGANTS,
 NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS AND RELATIVES SAFETY,
 SECURITY AND SHALOM. WE PRAY FOR AN END TO
 THE DOMESTIC TURMOIL, CONFLICT, VIOLENCE AND
 HATRED AGAINST OUR PEOPLE AND ALL PEOPLE.

Rabbi Fred & Judy

*Inspired by our cherished heritage,
 through our shared sacred chapters,
 and with hope for our blessed future,
 We pray for abundant blessings to
 embrace our treasured Temple Family.*
 MERYL @ RABBI MARK

BEST WISHES TO OUR TBY FAMILY
 FOR HEALTH, HAPPINESS,
 AND PEACE IN THE NEW YEAR
 NANCY & BOB SORKIN

We wish you a happy and healthy New Year
 to all our Temple family.

Min & Elliot Stone

TO OUR TEMPLE FAMILY
 L'SHANA TOVA TIKA TEVU

MERI & LEO McCARTHY

L'SHANA TOVA! GREETINGS FOR A SWEET NEW YEAR

Your Temple Board of Directors

We wish all of our Temple family a healthy and sweet year.



Andi & Joe Marx

HAPPY, HEALTHY, AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR GREETINGS
 TO MY TBY FAMILY AND FRIENDS
 MAY 5778 BE A YEAR THAT BRINGS PEACE TO ALL PEOPLES

Bev Darkatsh

L'SHANA TOVA

Ellen & Myron Mensh

Wishing you all a happy, healthy,
 prosperous, sweet new year.

With our love

Ruth and Larry Kurlandsky

**Happy and Healthy New Year
to all of my TBY family
MARCIA RECTOR**

*May you have love in your heart,
happiness in your home
and peace in the world.
IANE & PHILIP KARP*

**WISHES FOR HEALTH, HAPPINESS,
AND ALL OF LIFE'S BLESSINGS
IN THE COMING YEAR.
SHARON & RODNEY RICE**

**BEST WISHES TO EVERYONE AT TBY
FOR HEALTH AND HAPPINESS
IN THE COMING YEAR
CAROL & BERNIE LEVY**

**L'Shana Tova.
L'shana Tova to our Temple family.
May your year be sweet, healthy and happy.
May peace reign supreme
and hatred and intolerance eradicated.
Phyllis & Paul Greenfield**

**We wish all
A Happy and Healthy and above all a
Peaceful New Year
L'shana tovah tikkutavu
PHYLLIS & MAURY KEISER**

*La'Shana Tova To Our TBY Family,
May 5778 Be A Year of Good Health, Happiness
and Peace
SHELLY & MARTY COHEN*

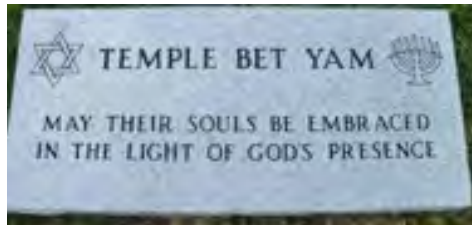
**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO FRIENDS OF BET YAM
THANK YOU ALL FOR WELCOMING ME THIS YEAR
SPECIAL THANKS TO RABBI FOR YOUR SUPPORT
BOBBI FELDMAN**

**L'SHANA TOVA 5778 TO OUR TEMPLE FAMILY

THE WITTE AND LOVE FAMILIES**

*MAY YOU HAVE A JOYOUS AND
PEACEFUL HOLIDAY TO ALL. SHALOM

ALICE KIHN*



TEMPLE BET YAM CEMETERY

Temple Bet Yam has consecrated a portion of The Craig Memorial Park on Old Moultrie Road in St. Augustine as sacred burial ground in the philosophy and theology of Reform Judaism. This portion is dedicated to Temple Bet Yam, and all Temple members are eligible to purchase burial plots in the TBY section of the Memorial Park. Members may purchase burial plots for themselves, their spouses, their partners, their children, and/or their parents. Following Reform Jewish philosophy, there are no restrictions concerning burial of non-Jewish spouses or partners adjacent to their loved ones.

Those interested in purchasing burial plots as part of their pre-planning should contact Craig Memorial Park directly (904-824-1672).

For further information or questions, contact Marty Cohen at shelmar826@gmail.com



CONTRIBUTIONS



The custom of making offerings/donations as an expression of prayer traces back to Biblical times and has always been a practice of congregations. A donation can be defined as an act of prayer in which the participant extends himself or herself beyond the act of uttering words. It exceeds mere vocal expression and indicates that an act of personal sacrifice has been performed by the donor. The amount of an offering is less important than the deed. A small offering made by a person of limited income is as noble in nature as a larger one given by a person of wealth. THE WORLD IS SUSTAINED BY THREE THINGS: BY TORAH, BY WORSHIP, AND BY TZEDAKAH.



CONTRIBUTION FORM

**TEMPLE BET YAM
P.O. BOX 860098
ST. AUGUSTINE, FL 32086-1146**

DONOR NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE: _____

ZIP: _____ **TEL. NO.:** _____

IN HONOR OF: _____

IN MEMORY OF, OR OTHER DESIGNATION:

NAME & ADDRESS OF HONOREE OR FAMILY MEMBER IF NOT A MEMBER OF TEMPLE BET YAM:

<u>DESIGNATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT (\$)</u>
GENERAL FUND	\$ _____
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND	\$ _____
PRAYER BOOK FUND	\$ _____
SANCTUARY FUND	\$ _____
MURRAY WEISS MEM. FUND	\$ _____
HIGH HOLY DAYS CONTRIBUTION	\$ _____
* RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND	\$ _____
<u>TOTAL CONTRIBUTION:</u>	\$ _____

** PLEASE NOTE: A SEPARATE CHECK IS REQUIRED FOR THE RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND.*

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO TBY, WITH NAME OF FUND ON MEMO LINE. THANK YOU.



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In the spirit of giving (tzdakah) the "MURRAY WEISS MEMORIAL FUND" has been actively helping those in need. Since its inception the fund has helped to finance the following:

- *Dental surgery
- *Tuition for two children's enrollment in a Jewish summer camp
- *Paid a past due mortgage payment
- *Helped finance medication for a cancer patient
- *Provided funds for a past due electric bill.

With the continuing contributions to this meaningful tzdakah fund by you, the congregants and the Murray Weiss foundation, it can continue to face the needs of those who require it.

Let us all be there for those who need the help and guidance for a healthier and more meaningful life.

Please contact me at (904) 461-4316 for any questions or information. Please know that this program is held in the strictest confidence.

Shalom, Mimi Selig

Trees for Israel

Toby Weintraub



We are enjoying huge success with our Trees for Israel. Every tree purchased is not only recognition of some significant event in your life or in the life of someone close to you but is also a mitzvah for Israel and contributes to our Temple fundraising effort. Please use this very important program as a memorial to a friend or loved one or in celebration of a happy occasion for someone dear to you.

Israel's forests are not only a valuable source for water preservation, but are a source for boosting the morale of Israel's citizens by providing a haven in which to put aside the pressures of living in a nation under siege.

JNF will acknowledge every donation with a receipt to the donor and a certificate to the recipient of the honor. Your donation will also benefit Temple Bet Yam with a portion of the donation amount. It is a double Mitzvah.

Trees may be ordered by contacting Toby Weintraub at _____ Please provide Toby with your name, address, and phone number; the name and address of the person being honored, and the name and address of the person you want to receive the acknowledgment.

Donations for Trees for Israel are \$18.00 per tree. Checks should be made payable to Temple Bet Yam.



Let Us Celebrate! Let Us Rejoice!

Do you have a simcha you want to commemorate?



*Birth of a grandchild or child?
Wedding? Anniversary?
Milestone Birthday? Bar/Bat Mitzvah?*

Now you or your family can purchase a plaque to celebrate life's big moments.



sample of an actual plaque!

(actual size 5 1/2" X 8 1/2")

Express your joy in four lines of type for \$150 which includes the plaque, engraving and installation in TBY's commemorative garden wall.



For more information and forms, please contact the TBY office at 904-819-1875 or email templebet Yam@bellsouth.net

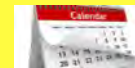


Please note that there are separate forms available in the Temple office for plaques for both the Memorial Board in the sanctuary and for the Celebratory Wall in the garden. Do NOT use the attached Contribution form for this purpose.





September, 2017 Dates to Remember:



Tuesday, September 5

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

Friday, September 8

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Shabbat Service

Sunday, September 10

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

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Membership Fair

Monday, September 11

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

Tuesday, September 12

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Sisterhood Meeting
Dinner & Speaker

Saturday, September 16

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Selichot Service

Monday, September 18

5:00 - 7:30 p.m. Dining with Dignity

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

Wednesday, September 20

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Erev Rosh Hashana Services

Thursday, September 21

10:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m. Rosh Hashana Service

Friday, September 29

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Erev Yom Kippur Services

Saturday, September 30

10:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Yom Kippur Services
followed by Break -The-Fast

EDITOR'S NOTES

Bev Darkatsh



I owe a big debt of gratitude to the sharp eyes and grammatical acumen of my two copy-editor elves, Nancy Sorkin and Jackie Witte. Dorit Cohen just joined the elves contingent, taking the place of Shelly Cohen as mail maven to make our job just that much easier on all of us. We thank Shelly Cohen — her services were much appreciated! We also want to thank Patty Savage for her assistance with the new member bios.

We'd like to thank you for making the decision to take the *Shofar* online instead of being mailed a print version. It's one of the privileges of membership to receive it this way and also part of the process of the Temple going green -- better for ecology, saves trees and energy. It's also better for the Temple in that it saves us the cost of paper and postage. You can still print it out yourself if you'd prefer to read it that way -- I do.

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