THE SHOFAR

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HIGHHOLY DAYS SERVICE SCHEDULE



Saturday, September 14:

Hebrew Reading Marathon-9:00a.m-5:45 p.m.

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

Erev Rosh HaShanah:

Saturday, September 29^{th} , 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Rosh HaShanah Day: Sunday, September 30th

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Children's Service

10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Morning Service, followed by Tashlich at Treaty Park

OCTOBER

Kol Nidrei / Erev Yom Kippur: Tuesday, October 8th, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Yom Kippur Day: Wednesday, October 9th

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Children's Service

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

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

4:15 (approximately) Yizkor

Neilah

Havdalah

6:15pm (approximately): Sukkah Blessing

Break-the-Fast

The Shofar

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Shofar columnists and the entire TBY
Board of Trustees would like to wish all
of you a most happy, healthy, and
peaceful New Year..

L'Shana Tovah!

From the Desk of the Rabbi...

Rabbi Dr. Nadia Siritsky



Reflections for a New Year

As the New Year begins to dawn upon us all, it is a time for reflection: What did we do that left us feeling proud? What are we prepared to leave behind? What parts of us need forgiveness and healing? What new dreams, hopes, and commitments are we prepared to make, so that this coming year will be filled with blessings?

September 1st is not only the first day of the month of September, it is the first day of the Jewish month of Elul. Our rabbis understood the word "Elul" to be an acronym for "Ani L'dodi, V'dodi Li" which are the Hebrew words from the biblical scroll of Song of Songs, which mean "I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine". These words are recited during a wedding, as an expression of love and fidelity.

Our rabbis teach that the month of Elul is a month to reflect upon our relationships - with ourselves, with those around us, and with G!d. Are they loving? Are they all in alignment with our core values? Our tradition reminds us that Elul is the time to stop and consider how each of our relationships are expressions of a deeper Well of Love. We cannot love others if we do not love ourselves. We cannot love G!d if we do not love others... or ourselves.

This month is a time to take inventory - where in our lives does Love flow freely? Where do we experiences blockages? Are there aspects of ourselves or

others that are more sources of struggle than Love? Before we begin the New Year, and celebrate the High Holy Days, it is important to do this deeper self-reflection.

Our tradition emphasizes that G!d does not atone for the sins we commit against one another until we have tried to make amends and seek forgiveness. The idea of a sin is a complex topic, but briefly, Judaism understands it to be like "missing the mark". When we have made mistakes with others or hurt them, we need to try to make them right. Prayers of forgiveness are meaningless unless they are accompanied by action and atonement.

Thus, the prayers of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are intended to the culmination of a month's work of self-reflection and "teshuvah" (repentance). There are multiple traditions regarding the service of "Selichot" (=forgiveness). Some Sephardic communities recite special morning prayers of "selichot" all month long, in order to encourage the daily work of reconciliation and healing which must happen. Many Ashkenazic communities hold a special "Selichot" service on a Saturday night prior to Rosh Hashanah, because of the belief that evening is most appropriate for prayers of forgiveness- in part because nightfall can be conducive to introspection, and in part out of a mystical belief that every hour of the day corresponds to a different aspect of G!d, and midnight is considered to be the time when G!d is most compassionate.

For Temple Bet Yam, Selichot will be held on Saturday night, September 14th, which should allow us to reap the benefits of both traditions... we will still have enough time to be inspired to act and make the changes necessary to prepare for Rosh Hashanah, and we will also be able to tap into the evening hour's receptivity for forgiveness and compassion.

In anticipation of the High Holy Days, I share the following translation by R' Zalman Schachter-Shalomi, along with my own prayers for a new year filled with healing and forgiveness for us all: [Rabbi's column, continued from page 1]

You, My Eternal Friend. Witness that I forgive anyone who hurt or upset me or offended me damaging my body, my property, my reputation or people that I love; whether by accident or willfully, carelessly or purposely, with words, deeds, thought, or attitudes; in this lifetime or another incarnation -I forgive every person, May no one be punished because of me. Help me, Eternal Friend, to keep from offending You and others. Help me to be thoughtful and not commit outrage, by doing what is evil in Your eyes. Whatever sins I have committed, blot out please, in Your abundant kindness and spare me suffering or harmful illnesses. Hear the words of my mouth and may the meditations of my heart find acceptance before You, Eternal Friend Who protects and frees me. Amen.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ruth Kurlandsky



As I try to draft this article, it's hotter than it's been since we first moved here. I don't know if that means anything, but it's certainly noticeable. Fortunately, due to careful budgeting over the years, we have been able to replace our air conditioning units, and we will continue to be comfortable during our

gatherings. And, from the July Friday night service onward, we have new chairs. They were carefully researched by our Aesthetics Committee, with help from our Facilities chair and our Treasurer.

Some of my thoughts about the changes we are experiencing at TBY might be worth sharing. People have asked me why there were no lay-led services this summer. So here's what I understand as the flow of things: Temple Bet Yam in its early years had only services led by each other. After about 10 years, Rabbi Mark Goldman happened to visit, and a mutual love affair came about between members and this man. He wanted to work ten months, and be up north in July and August. Thus, lay led (meaning each other)

services were held in those months: one by Sisterhood, one by Men's Club, and one by the Board. Onegs were attached, sort of done by opposite groups. After another ten years or so, Rabbi Fred Raskind came and led us. He also took the summer off.

When Rabbi Dr. Nadia Siritsky joined us, she wanted to keep continuity with us over the summer. So no lay led services were planned. However, the ever-popular Ice Cream Social Oneg returned for her July visit!

You may have noticed that we have had some little children attend our services. Ways were sought and found to keep their noise to a minimum. Here's my thought on that: if we don't bring in younger generations, there won't **be** a new generation of the Jewish people. So please join me in being happy about little ones.

Looking toward the fall and the new year, I'd like to offer some explanations of terms. We call Rosh HaShanah (literally head of the year) our new year, and Yom Kippur, ten days later (Day of Atonement), our High Holidays. We all know that attendance may be greater on those days, and that the services have more participants. Participating in a service is an honor; if you are asked to take an honor, please consider saying yes. Opening the ark is easy: if you can get up the stairs to the bima (platform), all you'd be asked to do is to slide open one of the ark doors, and stand. Rabbi will tell you when to open, when to close and when to stand still or if you should sit. You can't get lost!

If you're asked to do an aliyah, here's what it is: it's the blessing before and after a Torah reading. You do not have to know anything except your name in advance! There is a laminated placard right on the table. It has the blessing in Hebrew, in transliteration (Hebrew in English letters), and in English. You can read or sing, in English or in Hebrew. Rabbi will point to where we are in the Torah reading, and you reach forward with your tallit or the Torah's belt, gently touch the spot, then kiss what you're holding, as a sign of respect for the Torah. Another instance of "can't possibly get lost". Aliyah means going up; it is also the word used for someone moving to Israel. It is traditional to call you by your Hebrew name: if you don't remember it, I promise to help you figure one out. In addition, a person is called Soandso son of, or daughter of, the father and the mother. I would be delighted to help you figure those out as well. There are more honors that don't involve speaking at all: to undress, carry and re-dress the Torah. We are a little short on the strength needed, so please consent to doing this as you are able.

- 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, 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.





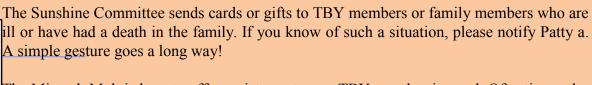
For additional information and order form please contact Phyllis Keiser.

Sunshine - Mitzvah Mob

Looking to do a mitzvah?









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, if you are in need of assistance and/or would like to join the Mitzvah Mob. We continue to need volunteers. Enjoy the great feeling of doing a mitzvah!



Board Notes

Reminder:

Any member of the congregation who desires to do so may attend Board meetings as an observer. Meetings are usually held the first Tuesday of each month, beginning at 6:30 p.m. There are occasionally changes due to holidays or travel, so check the TBY calendar before you make the trip.

Anyone who wants a copy of the minutes should contact Ileine Hoffman.

September 2019 Dates to Remember: All events to be held at TBY unless stated otherwise



Monday, September 2 (Labor Day)

6:00 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Tuesday, September 3

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

Sunday, September 8

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

Monday, September 9

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

Friday, September 13

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

Saturday, September 14

9:00 a.m. - 5:45 p.m. Hebrew Reading Marathon 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Selichot

Sunday, September 15

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

Monday, September 16

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

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

Wednesday, September 18

11:00 a.m. -

12:30 p.m.

Sisterhood Opening Meeting Back 40 Restaurant (no speaker)

Sunday, September 22

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Religious School 2:00 p.m. Mega Challah Bake

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St. Augustine Beach City Hall

Monday, September 23

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

Tuesday, September 24

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Sisterhood Book Club

Eleanor Oliphant is completely fine

by Gail Honeyman

Discussion led by Jackie Witte

Sunday, September 29

7:30 9:00 p.m. Erev Rosh Hashanah

Monday, September 30, Rosh Hashanah Day 9:00 10:00 a.m. Children's Service 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Morning Service

Followed by Tashlich in the Park



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RITUAL

Chuck Meiselman and Terre Wallach

In June 2019, Rabbi Nadia led services on two memorable occasions:

• Friday, June 7th, TBY observed Shavuot and installed our New Board of Trustees.

• The weekend of June 14th-15th Rabbi Nadia and Emma Bates led us in a Friday evening Shabbat service and family and friends celebrated Emma on Saturday morning as she led from the bimah to become a Bat Mitzvah.



Friday & Saturday, August 16th-17th, was Ari Love's Bat Mitzvah weekend. Rabbi and Ari led us through the Shabbat Service on Friday evening and Ari took command of the bimah on Saturday morning.

Kudos go to Emma and Ari for their outstanding efforts and congratulations are extended to their families who have given them so much support on their journeys.

Rabbi Nadia was in St. Augustine also in mid-July:

- Friday evening, July 19th. she led a regular Shabbat Service
- At 10:00 am on Saturday, July 20th, Rabbi led a Mini-Shabbat Service that was followed by a picnic lunch at Treaty Park.

In spite of the southern heat in July, this was a well-attended event enjoyed by members of all ages.

Ritual has ordered and received 28 new Mishkan T'Filah prayer books that now round out our book cart to 100 copies.

Additionally, 19 copies of Mishkan T'Filah have been purchased by individual members of our TBY congregation as their personal prayer book.

Our trays for Shabbat Candles, Kiddush Cup, and Challah were looking very shabby; so-we have replaced those items.

We're looking forward to The High Holy Days and to your participation at services

Reliving the memories of Ari's Bat Mitzvah in August.....

Jackie Witte, far right





Rabbi Nadia Siritsky, Davis Love



Ari Love, far left, and then from the right, Jennifer Love, Marielle Love Jackie Witte

Starting from the left, Ari and Jackie



The congregation



Ari with her mother Jennifer



At the Bima: Rabbi Nadia, Jennifer, Ari, Davis









...And of Emma Bates in June......



The Bates family



Emma and Shane



Emma and Rabbi Nadia

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

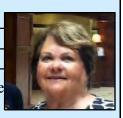
Terry Cohen, Director

and

Phyllis Keiser, Representative to the Board



After a big summer with Emma Bates and Ari Love becoming B'not Mitzvah, the TBY Religious School embarked on its new chapter with a stupendous open house on August 18 in conjunction with the Membership Committee. Out of six prospective religious school families that day, two have already joined and enrolled their children in our school, with the others en-



thusiastic enough to continue looking at membership and religious school enrollment. An additional family joined over the summer and enrolled their son, who is studying to become a Bar Mitzvah, so mark your calendars for May 15, 2020!

It was fantastic to see so many of our returning RS families at the open house. Not only were our current students taller and excited for a new year, they were very welcoming to our new and prospective students. They made their parents, teachers, and congregational family proud! With a wide range of ages (first grade through bar/bat mitzvah), interests, and Hebrew levels, this will be a very active and engaging year.

One thing we look forward to in the early part of our year is connecting with K9s for Warriors, the nation's largest provider of service dogs to disabled veterans, based in Ponte Vedra, which was chosen as the students Tzedakah recipient. In the school year 2017-18, \$131.02 was collected but not disbursed and last year, another \$210.83 was collected, for a grand total of \$341.85. The children are thrilled that their donation will help both animals and people at the same time, as well as doing something good for our veterans. K9s for Warriors will either present a program or allow us a field trip, depending on timing in their work with the dogs and their clients.

As always, thank you to Rabbi Nadia and our entire TBY congregation for the love and support you give to our religious school family.

SHIR-UL'ADONAL

Emily Brown





We were honored to help the Bates and Love families celebrate Emma Bates and Ari Love being called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah. The services were not only beautiful, they

were incredibly emotional and we are so happy we could share in their joy. Mazel tov to Emma,

Ari, and their families.

The choir would also love to welcome our newest member Heather Chupella whose voice and daughter are most welcome additions to our group!

As the High Holy Days draw close, we look forward to helping Rabbi Nadia bring spirituality and meaningful worship to all our High Holy Day services.

LIFE LONG LEARNING

Larry Kurlandsky



In accordance with its mission, Lifelong Learning is supporting a number of educational initiatives of Rabbi Siritsky. She will lead the following courses at TBY, and provide more detailed information.

1. Hebrew Crash Course: This is scheduled for September 14 from 9 a.m. through late afternoon. Please bring your own bag lunch. This is a one day immersion class in Hebrew reading to learn the basics of the Hebrew alphabet, vowels, and learning to read Hebrew. This course is for those who have learned Hebrew and have forgotten it or for those who have not learned Hebrew but wish to.

2 Torah Study: This is scheduled for the first Saturday (Shabbat) each month when Rabbi Siritsky is present from 11-12 p.m. This class will explore some of the themes in that week's Torah portion as interpreted by traditional rabbinic commentary and focus on personal application of the Torah's themes in the modern world.

3. Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class: This is scheduled for the first Saturday (Shabbat) each month in which Rabbi Siritsky is present from 12:30 – 2 pm to begin after the High Holy Days (stay tuned for specifics). The object of this class is to prepare congregants who have never had a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, as well as those who did and want a refresher or for those who would like to celebrate the anniversary of this event. Pre-requisites for this course include the Hebrew Crash Course described above (1), prior Hebrew reading knowledge, or a commitment to get Hebrew tutoring.

In addition, the following sessions have been scheduled for this autumn after the High Holy Days.

- Jewish Medical Ethics Issues: Larry Kurlandsky Wednesday, November 6 from 10-11:30 a.m. at TBY
- **2. Antisemitism Update**: Keith Schlegel Wednesday, November 20 from 10-11:30 a.m. at TBY

Mazel Tov! Look what we have done!

Let us know of your accomplishments... this is the spot to brag!



Our very own
rie Meiselman
Master of Science in Special Education with an Autism Concentration. She earned it with a near perfect GPA despite many challenges along the way.

SOCIALJUSTICE

Andi and Joe Marx





Andrea and I would like to thank the over 40 volunteers who helped making Dining With Dignity such a success last year. The new Dlning With Dignity sign-up sheet is in the lobby so please sign up if you are able.

WAYS&MEANS



Teresa Freedman



The Ways and Means Committee will enter the 2019 - 2020 fiscal year with great enthusiasm due to exceeding its 2018 - 2019 goal by approximately \$4,000.00. The credit goes to the steadfast Ways and Means

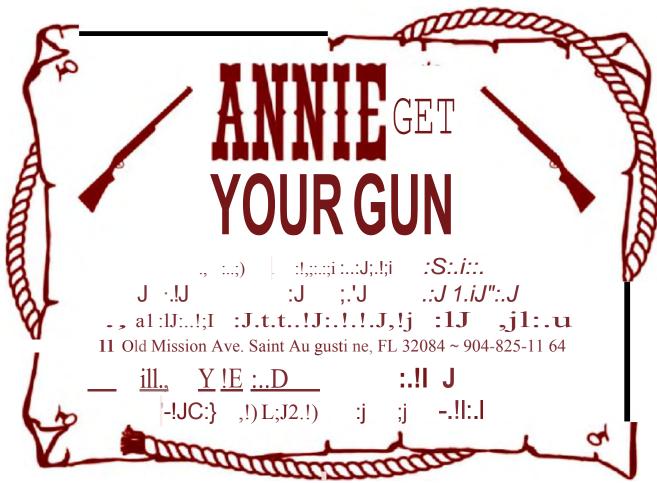
Committee led by 2018 - 19 Co-Chairs Carol and Bernie Levy.

What can we expect going forward? All committee members agreed to stay on as I assumed the role of chair and I am grateful for every one of them. They are dedicated members who care very much for Temple Bet Yam and want to do their best to fundraise on its behalf. Our current committee consists of the following members: Earl and Margaret Brown, Carol and Bernie Levy, Ellen and Myron Mensh, Ellen Miller, Susan Newman, Bill Rosenthal, Jane Seiden and me. If you would like to join our committee please let me know.

We look forward to our upcoming fall events. The first is *Annie Get Your Gun* at the Limelight Theatre on October 12th, and next, Bingo Night on November 9th. These events are well attended by our members and we always enjoy ourselves. We will continue through the winter with holiday gift wrapping at Barnes and Noble in December, our Annual Card Party on January 23rd, and Deli Night on February 27th. Save those dates! Email blasts announcing the events will continue throughout the year.

THE BEST IDEA WINS! We have been receiving many fundraising ideas from the congregation. We have Joe Marx to thank for the *Honey from the Heart* fundraiser for Rosh Hashanah. We announced the program at the end of June and we will realize a profit of \$450.00 for the new fiscal year. If you have an idea please bring it to me or any member of the committee as we are always looking for new ways to raise funds.

Thank you for all of your support of our fundraising activities and we look forward to your participation and another successful year in 2019 - 2020!



Hors d'oe:uv r es served at 6.30 p m ~ Performance at 7:30 p m

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DO YOU REMEMBER? BINGO / PIZZA LAST JUNE 8?

















Shabbat Picnic Fun with Temple Bet Yam

Temple Bet Yam and Rabbi Nadia welcome all to a fun morning at Treaty Park on Wildwood Drive in St.Augustine.

We will meet at the Pavilion at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 19th for a brief Shabbat morning service and a congregational picnic.

Make new friends, connect with old ones, and enjoy sidewalk chalk painting, face painting, music, and games.

Snacks will be provided, please bring your own beverages along with chairs.

In case of rain, we will be moving to the Temple, 2055 Wildwood Drive, and picnic inside.



LIBRARY



Lisa Diamond, Temple Librarian

A Library Committee has been created to organize, maintain, and encourage the use of the temple's library collection. Committee members include Lisa Diamond, Temple Librarian, Cathy Kasriel and Laura Weiss.

The library materials have been divided into numerous subject categories and shelved at the back of the Temple. The children's' titles will be kept along with the children's' religious school items.

Next time you and your family are at Temple, please take a look at the library collection. The collection has a wealth of information for all ages whether for personal growth, Jewish knowledge, genealogy research or simply for pleasure. The items in the collection can be used by anyone in the membership. There will be no limitations on

checking out – simply, take item from the shelf and return after use. When returning the item, please return to the wire basket on the bottom shelf near the hallway door so it can be reshelved for others to enjoy.

We welcome donations by the Temple's membership to add and update the library collection. Please be selective with your donations since we have limited space. At this time, we can not accommodate complete estates. Requirements for donated items include: Jewish faith theme, clean with no damage, little to no interior writing, if book originally came with a dust jacket it needs to be included, copyright date must be no earlier than year 2000. If you have donations that fit this criteria, please bring them to temple and give to a Library Committee member or the Temple's Office Administrator. Questions? Contact me

ONEGS

Reminder: Onegs are a responsibility of Temple membership, not just of Sisterhood. If you did not participate during the 2018-19 year please contact

Patty Savage and Susan Newman.



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

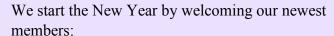
MEMBERSHIP

Ellen Miller and Sharon Rice



It has been an exciting summer for the Membership Committee. From the wonderful Shabbat Picnic in July to the amazing Bagels and Belonging Open

House in August, we have had a great time working with Rabbi Nadia and so many of the fantastic members of the congregation. The Open House this year was in conjunction with the Religious School. This gave us the opportunity to not only meet the adults but also to talk with the future students and watch them happily interacting with Terry and Emily. At each of these events we have met people who are excited to find out about our warm and welcoming congregation and who are anxious to be a part of the Temple Bet Yam family. Every volunteer, board member, and chair person who helped at these events could not have been more friendly and informative to our visitors. Thanks to Jen Sherman for the wonderful flyers and Jackie Witte for the great publicity.



Colleen and Ron Banat and their son Sean Jaime and Jason Combs and their son Jacob Louise and Brian Crawford

Jackie and Miguel Garcia and their daughter Sarah

Heidi Suzuki and Barry Gruberg and their son Rigel

Naomi and Michael Kaplan and their son Skyler and daughter Sadie

Sheila and Lawrence Lieberman

Gary Levine

Dayvin Sterling and daughter Sadie

Carol and Peter Tarnawa and their son Jason and daughter Kayla

This New Year you will be seeing lots of new faces at services. We know that you will make them feel welcome. Invite them to sit with you and approach them after the service. Please extend an invitation to new members of your community to attend our High Holiday Services.

We will be hosting another picnic on October 19th at 10:00 a.m. at Treaty Park. We invite all congregants and prospective members to join in the fun. Snacks will be provided; please bring your own beverage.





Photo Bernice Cruise with Rabbi Nadia with thanks to Jane Seiden; Beautiful cake with thanks to Sue Kinkela

GETTING TO KNOW OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

Jackie and Jim Kaye

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A little something about Jackie and me. Jackie made gift baskets for her own company, Jackie Kaye Gift Baskets. Previously she worked in the financial industry at UBS. I am an almost retired family physician and also the retired Medical Examiner of Ocean County, New Jersey. I taught Family Medicine at the University of Medicine and Dentistry at Stratford, New Jersey. My residency was in Family Medicine in the US Army at Ft. Benning, Georgia. In addition, I studied Forensic Sciences at St Louis University and at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology at Quantico, Virginia.



Jason and Jaime Combs met while attending the University of Florida (Go Gators!). Following college, thev moved Jacksonville as Jaime started her career as a news producer at WJXT News4Jax and Jason began a career in marketing. In 2010 they moved to St. Johns County, and two years later their family grew by one with the birth of their son, Jacob. Now Jason is a Senior Event Strategist with FIS, Jaime is the Academy Coordinator at Nease High School, and Jacob is fun-loving 1st grader.

SISTERHOOD

Cathy Kasriel

and Renee Speisman



After enjoying two in-formal social lunch gatherings in June and July, the Sisterhood begins its formal meetings of the 2019- 2020 year with a working lunch at the *Back 40 Cafe*, (on Dixie



Highway), September 18th at 11:00 a.m.

At our October meeting (Wednesday, the 16th 1:00 p.m.) speakers from the Jewish Federation of NE Florida, Lauren Rickoff (Director, Campaign and Women's Division) and Iris Kraemer (Federation President) will discuss their recent trip to a South American beneficiary of Federation funds and the various women's programs the Federation has planned this year. At our Wednesday November 13th meeting, Carol Levy will lead us in a fun art project at 1:00 p.m. Remember to save the date for our annual Chanukkah lunch at Gypsy Cab Restaurant on Friday, December 13th at 11:30 a.m.. Rabbi Nadia will speak.

It is hoped many of you will join us for a special Jewish Women's event – challah baking with other Jewish women in this area on Sunday, September 22nd at 2:00 p.m. at the St. Augustine Beach City Hall. You can invite any Jewish woman! See the attached flyer for more details. Please tell Cathy or Reneen older than Sunday, September 14th, if you are coming and if you are bringing someone. if you are coming and if you are bringing someone with you so that we can have sufficient sup-plies. The costs of supplies is \$12/person. While you can pay at the door, we would prefer that you pay in advance – you could give the check (made out to TBY Sisterhood) or money to Cathy or Renee at September 13 services or mail it to one of the co-presidents.

Book Club News

At the opening meeting of Sisterhood on September 18th, members will vote on the books suggested for reading this year (list sent earlier in an eblast). If you recommend a book, if would be helpful if you attend this meeting! We will also discuss the dates and times for the 2019-2020 Book Club schedule. The first two books and meetings are set. First up, on Tuesday, September 24th, at 11:00 a.m., Jackie Wiitte will lead the discussion of Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine, written by Gail Honeyman. Next, Cathy Kasriel will lead the discussion of Where the Crawdads Sing, by Delia Owens on Tuesday, October 29 at 11:00 a.m..



MEN'S CLUB

Bill Rosenthal



A big thank you to David Kasriel and Bruce Simon for their hard work and fine leadership of the Men's Club over the past three years. As the new president of the Club, I have two big pairs of shoes to try to fill! I thank them both, along with another past

president, Bernie Levy, for their offers to give me advice and direction.

I want to thank Robert Paceley for stepping forward to serve as Vice President of the Club. Robert is a new member of the Temple and has already proven to be a great addition

I believe the mission of the Temple Men's Club is to promote closer fellowship among our male members while engaging in social and educational activities. While I have plans for future meetings and the hope of working with the Sisterhood on various programs, it is you, the Men's Club members, that I serve. To that end, please feel free to offer suggestions and advice as to what we might accomplish during the coming year.

Our next gathering will be in October. Stay tuned for the date, time, and location. And yes, it will be a dinner meeting.

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.







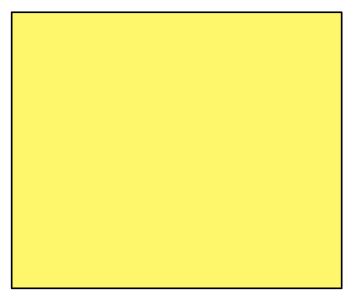
Please note: Because of the High Holidays, all birthdays, anniversaries, and yahrzeits will be announced at services on Friday, September 13th

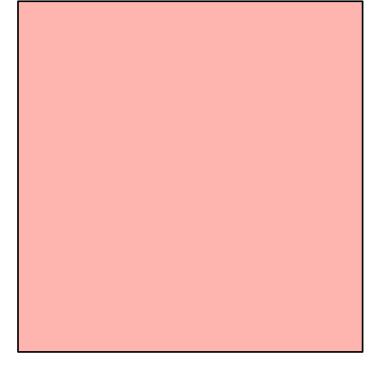








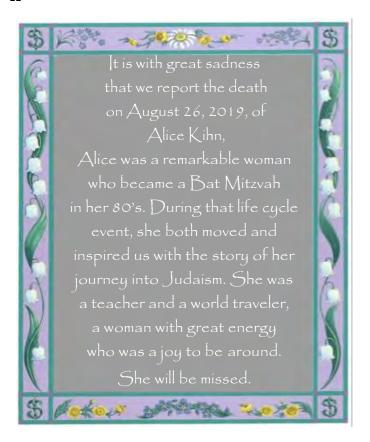


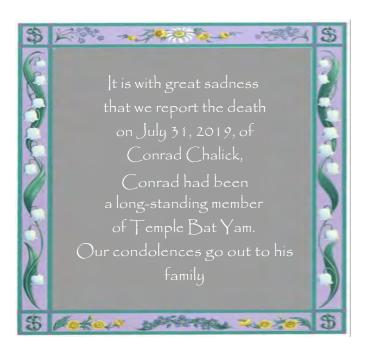


It is our custom at every Shabbat service to mention names of friends and loved ones who are in need of God's healing power.

OUR CONGREGATION UNITES IN PRAYING FOR REFUAH SHLEMA, A SPEEDY RECOVERY

Adonai, open my lips that my mouth may declare your praise. As those who came before us were blessed in the presence of the communities that sustained them, so we offer our blessings for those among us in need of healing.







TEMPLE BET YAM CEMETER!

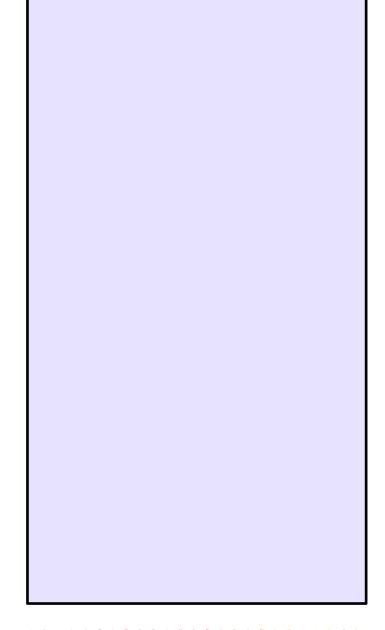
Temple Bet Yam has consecrated a portion of The Craig Memorial Park on Old Moultrie Road in St. Augustine as sacred burial ground in the philosophy and theology of Reform Judaism. This portion is dedicated to Temple Bet Yam, and all Temple members are eligible to purchase burial plots in the TBY section 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 preplanning should contact Craig Memorial Park directly (904-824-1672).

For further information or questions, contact Marty Cohen











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 ex-

ceeds 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.

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 Mitzyah.

Trees may be ordered by contacting Toby Weintraub or at Temple services. 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.

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TO THE GENERAL FUND

Patty & Barry Savage

...In honor of our granddaughter Mackenzie Bukens' Bat Mitzvah

...In memory of Bea Rogove, Art Rogove's mother

Barbara & Art Rogove

...In honor of the Bat Mitzvahs of:

the granddaughter of Ronnie Botnick

the granddaughter of Patty & Barry Savage

Hardage-Giddens Funeral Home

...In memory of Stuart Feldman

Dinah McNamara

...In memory of Bea Rogove, Art Rogove's mother

Frank Kinkela

... The winnings from the Bingo / Pizza event

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...In memory of:

Rebecca Mensh David Mensh

Alice Kihn

Lori Rosenthal

...In memory of Joe

Shelly & Marty Cohen

...In honor of:

Nancy Sorkin's special birthday

Ari Love's Bat Mitzvah

Thank you to our TBY family for their support

during Shelly's mishap and

Marty's surgery

Paul Greenfield — feel better soon

Bernice Cruise - good luck in your new home

we'll miss you

Meri & Leo McCarthy

...In honor of Marty Cohen's new knee!

Nancy Sorkin

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...In honor of:

Marty Cohen — keep up the good recovery! Toby & Stan Weintraub's family reunion

TO THE MURRAY WEISS MEMORIAL FUND (CONGREGANTS HELPING CONGREGANTS)

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Bernice Cruise

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Paul Greenfield, on his great recovery from surgery

Ari Love, on her becoming Bat Mitzvah

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...In honor of Paul Greenfield's new hip

Ronnie Botnick

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Andrea & Joseph Marx

...In memory of Caroline Marx

Lisa & Robert Black

TO THE RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND Bobbi Feldman

...In honor of what would have been our 62nd anniversary

...In memory of:

George, my beloved husband

Stuart Feldman

Cheryl Feldman

The Bates Family

...In honor of Emma's Bat Mitzvah

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Toby & Stan Weintraub

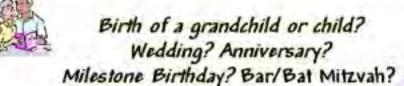
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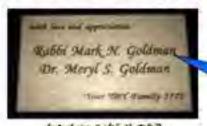


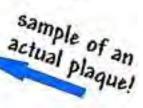
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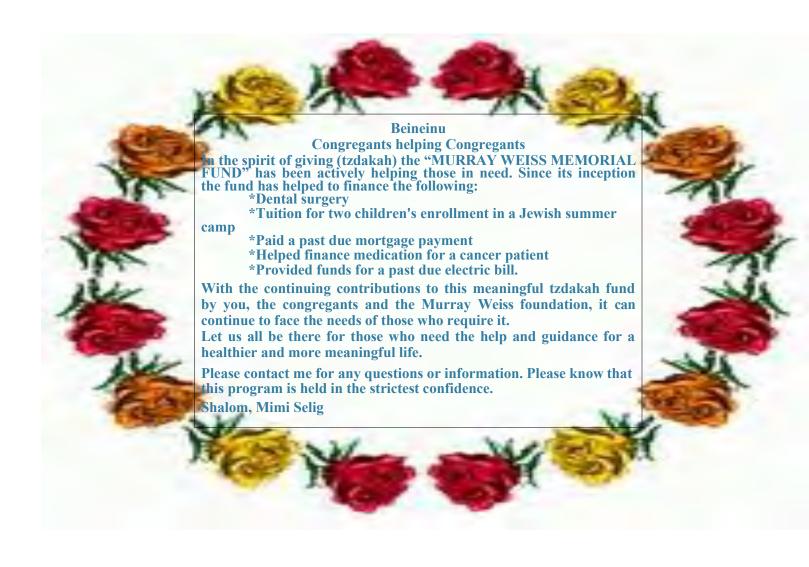
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MAY THE SACRED PROMISES

OF THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

SHINE BRIGHTLY FOR ALL OUR TOMORROWS

DR. MERYL & RABBI MARK GOLDMAN



Andi & Joe Marx

WE WISH YOU A SWEET, HAPPY, HEALTHY
NEW YEAR

RUTH & LARRY KURLANDSKY

I WISH OUR TBY FAMILY
GOOD HEALTH, HAPPINESS, AND PEACE
IN THE NEW YEAR

NANCY SORKIN

L'SHANA TOVA
TO THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION
ELLIE SUSSMAN & TOMBAAR

Beloved Temple Bet Yam! On our first anniversary, we give thanks for the opportunity to have become a part of this amazing congregation. We love you all and wish everyone a very happy, healthy and blessed new year!

Rabbi Nadia and Cindy

SHANA TOVAH WITH PRAY ERS

FOR A HEALTHY, HAPPY, MEANINGFUL, PEACEFUL:, AND SAFE 5780

FOR OUR PEOPLE AND ALL PEOPLE

RABBI FRED RASKIND & JUDY HOLMES



NEW YEAR GREETINGS

ELLEN & MYRON MENSH

TO MY WONDERFUL WIFE, LAURA WEISS — HAPPY NEW YEAR! FROM YOUR ADORING HUSBAND, ROBERT

ROBERT A. DAWKINS (& LAURA WEISS)

PEACE, HAPPINESS, AND
GOOD HEALTHIN THE NEW YEAR
PHYLLIS & LEE FEIRMAN

WE WISH FOR PEACE, HAPPINESS,
GOOD LUCK, GOOD HEALTH,...
AND GOD'S BLESSING AND SUCCESS
FOR THIS YEAR AND ALWAYS

JANE & PHILIP KARP

LASHANA TOVA
TOOUR TBY FAMILY
WISHING YOU
A HAPPY AND HEALTHY 5780

SHELLY & MARTY COHEN

WISHING ALL OUR TBY FAMILY A HEALTHY AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR L'SHANAH TOVAH!

BARBARA STAFFORD & ROB ARMSTRONG

HAPPY, HEALTHY, AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR GREETINGS TO OUR TBY FAMILY AND FRIENDS MAY 5780 BE A YEAR THAT BRINGS PEACE TO ALL PEOPLES

Bev Darkatsh & Rickie Slater

L'SHANAH TOVAH MAY YOU HAVE A NEW YEAR OF GOODHEALTHANDJOY!

PHYLLIS&PAULGREENFIELD

Wishing my TBY family a healthy and happy New Year

Jackie Witte

EDITOR'S NOTES

Bev Darkatsh



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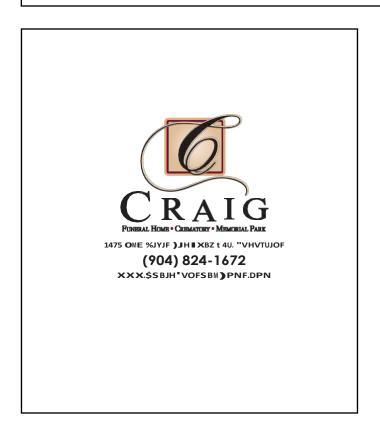


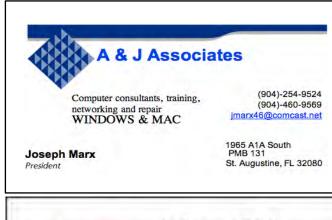
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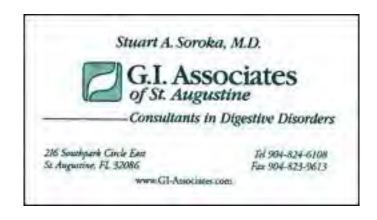
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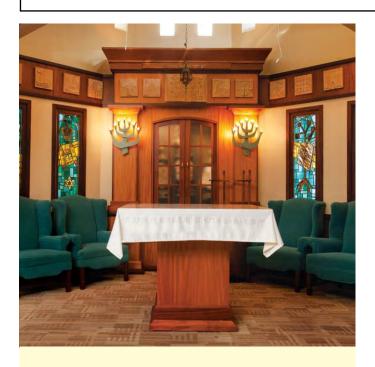








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