

# the SHO FAR



TEMPLE BET YAM

October 2021

Tishrei/Cheshvan 5782

Rabbi Jose ben Halafta said:

**“There is nothing more futile than to learn and to teach.”**

Kohelet Raba 5:9

Dear Temple Bet Yam family,

I would like to thank all the people who helped the congregation enjoy the special High Holiday services this year. We had live and virtual services. Some members recorded the prayers, some members read the prayers, and some members blew the Shofar. Also, some of you took care of the virtual technology, and some of you helped collect food to give to people in need. My special appreciation to Jane, Terre, and Emily for working closely with me.

We just started the month October which is the eighth month in the Gregorian calendar. October retained its name (from the Latin “octo” meaning “eight”) after July and August, after Julius and Augustus Caesar respectively, when the calendar was originally created by the Romans. October usually coincides with the Jewish month of Cheshvan, which is the “eighth” month if we count from the Exodus from Egypt.

Cheshvan, which is called Mar-Cheshvan, Mister Cheshvan, received its name because there are no Jewish celebrations during this month. Tishrei, the “seventh” month, received all the honors, because all the High Holidays are celebrated during Tishrei. That is why our

ancestors wanted to elevate and honor this month.

At Temple Bet Yam we will honor Cheshvan by studying and learning. During my visits we will enjoy Friday night services, and we will study Torah on Shabbat. I hope to meet all the students at the Religious School and to learn and study with them, too.

This month is the eighth month according to the Torah. Every Jewish boy is circumcised at his eighth day to reaffirm our covenant with Abraham. May all of us this month reaffirm our covenant with TBY by learning, by praying and by gathering.

May Mar-Cheshvan be a meaningful month for all of us.

Bebracha

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# THE SHOFAR

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## Let's Celebrate!

### october Anniversaries

**October 1st, Jane Lynn & George Stern**  
11th anniversary

**October 12th, Karen Selig & Jack Merwin**  
46th anniversary

**October 14th, Colleen & Ron Banat**  
20th anniversary

**October 17th, Lisa & Robert Black**  
29th anniversary



### october Birthdays

**October 1st, Max Sherman, 16th birthday**

**October 2nd, Emily Brown**

**October 2nd, Alexander Toro**

**October 3rd, Rhona Botnick**

**October 7th, Lisa Black**

**October 7th, Scott Sims**

**October 10th, Phyllis Greenfield**

**October 13th, Richard Zicht**

**October 14th, Babs Kushner**

**October 19th, Bev Darkatsh**

**October 21st, Adam Soroka, 19th birthday**

**October 21st, Lili Soroka, 19th birthday**

**October 22nd, Janice Angorn**

**October 24th, Gary Feldman**

**October 30th, Phyllis Keiser**

**October 30th, Jane Lynn**

## *In Memoriam*

**October 1st, Martha Savage**

Mother of Barry Savage

**October 1st, Selma Snyderman Weiss**

Mother of Noreen Davis

**October 5th, Abraham Garr**

Father of Bernice Cruise

**October 5th, Sara Molinari**

Mother-in-law of Barbara Molinari

**October 6th, John Drescher**

Father-in-law of Bruce Simon

**October 6th, Sylvia Raskind Goldstein**

Aunt of Rabbi Fred Raskind

**October 6th, Janet Spinner**

Friend of Barbara Carmen

**October 6th, Richard Sukel**

Father of Debra Morris

**October 8th, Bernard Keiser**

Father of Maury Keiser

**October 9th, Pauline Pecker**

Grandmother of Dinah McNamara

**October 10th, Harry Kurlandsky**

Grandfather of Larry Kurlandsky

**October 10th, Samuel Strum**

Uncle of Larry Kurlandsky

**October 11th, Shirley Scott**

Sister-in-law of Marcia Rector

**October 12th, Samuel Diamond**

Grandfather of Pamela Diamond

**October 13th, Jacob Eichner**

Great-grandfather of Pamela Diamond

**October 14th, Bernice Kurlandsky**

Mother of Larry Kurlandsky

**October 14th, Frieda Rubner**

Grandmother of Jaime Combs

**October 15th, Bertha Aranove**

Grandmother of Debra Morris

**October 15th, Dorothy Kresner**

Mother of Terri Beasley

**October 15th, Geri Smith Pollock**

Mother of Barbara Molinari

**October 15th, Dr. Joseph Yampolsky**

Great-grandfather of Emily Brown

**October 17th, Tillie Cowell**

Mother of Sherry Toy

**October 17th, Joseph Marx**

Grandfather of Joe Marx

**October 19th, Frank Levy**

Father of Don Levy

**October 19th, Clara Lustig**

Grandmother of Marcia Rector

**October 19th, Ruth H. Pilzer**

Mother of Shelly Cohen

**October 19th, Pauline Sims**

Mother of Scott Sims

**October 19th, Selma Adele Weiss**

Mother of Laura Weiss

**October 20th, Bertha Patchefsky**

Mother of Phyllis Feirman

**October 20th, Sophia Weiss**

Mother-in-law of Mimi Selig

**October 21st, Dr. Earl B. Brown**

Grandfather of Emily Brown

**October 23rd, Pauline Rosen Yampolsky**

Grandmother of Emily Brown

**October 24th, Lila Evens**

Aunt of Marcia Rector

**October 25th, Gussie Kaufman**

Mother of Toby Weintraub

**October 27th, Simon Seiden**

Father of Henry Seiden

**October 28, Lillian Lee Deegan**

Mother of Kalmun Lee

**October 29th, Lauren Brown**

Cousin of Emily Brown, Niece of Earl Brown

**October 29th, Sarah Garr**

Mother of Bernice Cruise

**October 30th, Rebecca Eichner**

Great grandmother of Pamela Diamond

**October 30th, Sgt. Gerald Hertz USAF**

Brother of Rita Saker

**October 30th, Maxwell Lustig**

Grandfather of Marcia Rector

**October 31st, Harry Greenberg**

Father of Carol Levy

*May their memory be a blessing*

## *Donations Made To Temple Bet Yam*

In The Shofar and on our TBY website, we list funds to which members might make donations. Occasionally, we are asked if there are any funds that need a little more than others; the answer to that question, at this time, is the General Fund and the Rabbinic Leadership Fund. Of course, you are welcome to contribute to any of the ones listed and all donations are greatly appreciated.

### **General Fund**

Nancy Sorkin - In memory of my husband Bob Sorkin; my parents Samuel & Kate Sloan; and Bob's parents Harry & Cynthia Sorkin

Cathy & David Kasriel - In memory of David Kasriel's mother Ernestine Kasriel

Sharon Rice - Special thanks to the Membership Committee

Kathleen Trued - In memory of Chuck Meiselman

### **Religious School Donations**

Sharon & Rod Rice - In honor of the B'Nai Mitzvah class from Sharon & Rod Rice

### **JNF Plant a Tree**

Ellie Sussman - In honor of great-grandson Spencer James Martin

### **Rabbinic Leadership Fund**

Teresa Freedman

Nancy Sorkin - In honor of Jane Seiden for the outstanding job she is doing so far as President; to Art Rogove, Teresa Freedman, and the entire Rabbinic search committee for finding Rabbi Kogan; and to Rabbi Kogan, a welcome addition to our TBY family

Ruth & Larry Kurlandsky - In memory of Chuck Meiselman

Sharon & Rod Rice - With special get well wishes to Sherry Toy, Phyllis Keiser, Cherie Hamilton, and Barbara Molinari from Rod and Sharon Rice

Isabel Sherman - In honor of son David Sherman's birthday

### **Murray Weiss Fund**

Karen Selig

Phyllis & Maury Keiser - In memory of Chuck Meiselman

Sharon & Rod Rice - In memory of Ethel & Abe Grabowsky, parents of Sharon Rice; Rita Rice, mother of Rod Rice; Joseph & Sara Grabowsky, grandparents of Sharon Rice; and Morris & Clara Fisher, grandparents of Sharon Rice

Molly Grossholz - In memory of Peter Jensen, Michael Stern, and Dr. Meryl Goldman

### **Member High Holiday Fund**

Nancy Sorkin - Get well wishes to Phyllis Keiser, Sherry Toy, Cherie Hamilton, and Barbara Molinari

Isabel Sherman

### **Mitzvah Fund**

Sharon & Rod Rice - In memory of Rod Rice's brothers Richard & Russell Rice, for the St. Augustine Interfaith Seder

## Upcoming Events for October. Mark your calendar!



Board Meeting  
Tuesday, October 5th, 7:00 – 8:00pm

Religious School  
Sunday, October 10th, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Men's Club  
Wednesday, October 13th, 6:00 – 9:00pm



Shabbat Service  
Friday, October 15th, 7:30 – 9:30pm

Sisterhood SIT, STITCH, AND SHMOOZE  
Wednesday, October 20th, 1:00 – 2:30pm

Religious School  
Sunday, October 24th, 10:00am – 12:00pm



Lifelong Learning  
Monday, October 25th, 10:30am – 12:00pm

Sisterhood Bookclub: *The Guest Book* by Sarah Blake  
Tuesday, October 26th, 1:00pm

Executive Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, October 26th, 5:30 – 6:30pm



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## For Your Information

**The Sunshine Committee** sends cards or gifts to TBY members or family members who are ill or have had a death in the family. If you know of such a situation, please notify Laura Weiss at (805) 705-6266 or [I.s.weiss@comacast.net](mailto:I.s.weiss@comacast.net).

**Temple Bet Yam Cemetery** – TBY has consecrated a portion of the Craig Memorial Park on Old Moultrie Road. All Temple members are eligible to purchase burial plots in this section for themselves, their spouses, partners, children and parents. Following Reform Jewish philosophy, there are no restrictions concerning burial of non-Jewish family members adjacent to their loved ones.

Those interested in purchasing burial plots as part of their preplanning should contact Craig Memorial Park directly at (904) 824-1672. For further information or questions, contact Marty Cohen at [shel-mar826@gmail.com](mailto:shel-mar826@gmail.com).

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## Donations

The custom of making donations as an expression of prayer traces back to Biblical times and has always been a practice of congregations. The amount given is less important than the deed. At TBY, we have a number of offerings for you to consider when making donations. Here is an explanation of a few of them. Additional funds are listed on our Contribution Form.

**Memorial Board Plaques** – When you purchase a plaque for your loved ones, you memorialize them on our memorial board in the sanctuary, as well as in the Book of Remembrance. All names on the Memorial Board are recognized during the Yizkor Service on Yom Kippur. See the Donation form on our web site, TempleBetYam.org or contact Phyllis Keiser at (904) 797-1508.

**Celebratory Wall** – Celebrate a simcha in your family or honor a TBY member by purchasing a plaque for our commemorative garden wall. For additional information and order forms, please contact Phyllis Keiser at (904) 797-1508.

**Murray Weiss Memorial Fund** – In the spirit of Tzedakah, this fund helps congregants in need. Past gifts have helped pay for dental surgery, medications, enrollment for children in a Jewish summer camp, and past due mortgage payments. Requests are held in the strictest of confidence. For more information, contact Mimi Selig at (904) 461-4316. To make donations, see the Contribution Form on the next page.



## Trees For Israel



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 904-471-0418. Please provide Toby with your name, address, phone number, the name and address of the person being honored and the name and address of the person you want to receive acknowledgment.

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Checks should be made out to Temple Bet Yam.



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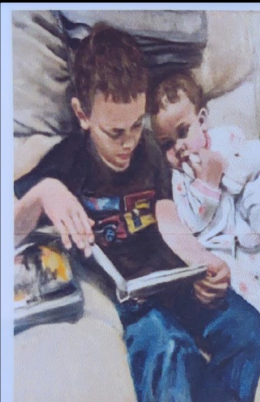
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