

the SHOEFAR



TEMPLE BET YAM

January 2022

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"Al Shlosa Devarim Ha Olam Omed:

Al Ha Torah Be al hahavoda ve al quemilut Chasadim."

Every time we do a hakafa (A Torah procession) we sing the above words. Those teachings were taught by Shimon HaZadik (the righteous). They mean: "The world stands on three things: Al ha Torah, al ha Avodah, v'al gemilut hasadim." "On Torah, on worship, and on acts of loving-kindness."

Temple Bet Yam closed a great 2021! In December, the congregation celebrated Hanukkah together in person, with facemasks, while also on Zoom. Then, the Religious School held a Hannukah picnic at Treaty Park for the students and their families, with lots of food, games, Hannukah lessons and, of course, menorah lighting.

This month America is celebrating Martin Luther King's Jr. Day. I have learned that Rev. King was a person who spoke for nonviolent activism in the civil rights movement, which successfully protested racial discrimination in federal and state law. I have also learned that President Ronald Reagan signed the holiday into law in 1983. It was officially observed in all 50 states for the first time in 2000. Rev. King was killed the same year that I was born. I learned that he preached the verses from our Torah.

Our Torah always teaches us to take care of the stranger, the widow, and the orphan. Some of those verses are:

"You shall have one standard for the stranger and the citizen alike: for I, the Eternal, am your God." (Leviticus 24:22)

"For the citizen among the Israelites and for the resident who resides among them—you shall have one ritual for anyone who acts in error." (Numbers 15:29)

Our Jewish sages taught: for the sake of peace, non-Jewish poor should be supported as we support the poor of Israel, the non-Jewish sick should be visited as we visit the sick of Israel, and the non-Jewish dead should be buried as we bury the dead of Israel. (Gittin 59a-61a)

That is why, in the month that America is celebrating Social Action, I encourage everyone to think about a mitzvah (a good deed) project that you would like to do. Please think about it, do it, and share it with your friends.



Let's always remember to improve our world by learning and practicing Torah!

Happy & Healthy 2022!
B'vracha
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Let's Celebrate!



January Anniversaries

January 4th, Debra & Ronald Rideman
39th anniversary

January 20th, Barbara & Art Rogove
54th anniversary

January 26th, Steve & Pamela Gramet
37th anniversary



January Birthdays

January 1st, Alexander Black, 13th birthday

January 1st, Zachary Black, 13th birthday

January 2nd, Terri Beasley

January 5th, Jaime Combs

January 7th, Rabbi Mark Goldman

January 9th, Paul Greenfield

January 15th, Gale Zucker

January 17th, Robert Dawkins

January 17th, Jennifer Love

January 19th, Cheryl Rosenfield

January 22nd, Leo McCarthy

January 27th, Ezekiel Kogan, 13th birthday

January 27th, Bernie Levy

January 31st, Jacqueline Kaye



In Memoriam - May their memory be a blessing

January 1st, Sally Beringer
Mother of Leo McCarthy

January 2nd, Leo Newman
Father of Martin Newman

January 3rd, Cydel Hyman
Mother of Susan Newman

January 3rd, Murray Weiss
Husband of Mimi Selig

January 4th, Elizabeth Carr
Mother of Bud Carr

January 6th, Lillian Drescher
Mother-in-law of Bruce Simon

January 6th, Herbert Marx
Father of Joe Marx

January 6th, Fannie Sicular
Aunt of Arnold Levine

January 7th, Mary Ehrlichman
Aunt of Harvey Hoffman

January 7th, Fani Greenberg
Mother of Carol Levy

January 7th, Letha Rector
Mother-in-law of Marcia Rector

January 8th, Bernice Goldstone
Mother of Howard Goldstone

January 8th, Fred Markowitz
Father of Meryl Goldman

January 9th, Larry Rector
Brother-in-law of Marcia Rector

January 12th, Nelda Meiselman
Mother of Chuck Meiselman

January 13th, Herman Chaves
Grandfather of Ellen Miller

January 14th, Irwin Aronoff
Father of Bonnie Yales-Gibson

January 14th, Edward Hurdy
Father of Barbara Kushner

January 15th, Harry Aranove
Grandfather of Debra Morris

January 18th, Morris Boyarsky
Father of Cherie Hamilton

January 18th, Lillian Diamond
Mother of Meri McCarthy

January 19th, Garry Leger
Brother of Patricia LaPolt

January 19th, Mary Rhodes
Sister of Cathy Kasriel

January 19th, Emory Robinson
Brother-in-law of Cathy Kasriel

January 19th, John M Robinson
Nephew of Cathy Kasriel

January 19th, Hyman Werman
Father of Rhona Botnick

January 22nd, Myron Mensh
Husband of Ellen Mensh &
Father of Denise Mensh

January 23rd, Morris Keiser
Grandfather of Maury Keiser

January 23rd, Richard Raskind
Uncle of Rabbi Fred Raskind

January 23rd, Jim Rector
Husband of Marcia Rector

January 25th, Aaron Kihn
Husband of Alice Kihn

January 25th, Katherine Sloan
Mother of Nancy Sorkin

January 26th, Edwin Freed
Brother of Mimi Selig

January 27th, Richard Ames
Friend of Rabbi Fred Raskind

January 27th, Sheldon Beasley
Husband of Terri Beasley

January 28th, Hymie Tenenbaum
Grandfather of Barbara Stafford

January 29th, Harry Freed
Father of Mimi Selig

January 30th, Harry Cohen
Grandfather of Meryl Goldman

January 30th, Eva Gardi
Mother of Dorit Cohen

January 30th, James Orin Lucas
Grandfather of Merrie Meiselman

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Brother of Elliott Palevsky

January 30th, Leonard Pollock
Father of Barbara Molinari

January 31st, Sidney Cohen
Father of Nancy Cohen



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Phyllis & Leon Feirman - In memory of Min Stone

Mitzvah Fund

Judy Holmes & Rabbi Fred Raskind - In memory of Min Stone



Upcoming Events for January. Mark your calendar!

Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 4th, 7:00 – 8:00pm

Shabbat Service

Friday, January 21st, 7:30 – 9:30pm

Men's Club Lay-Led Shabbat Service

Friday, January 7th, 7:30 – 9:30pm

Religious School

Sunday, January 23rd, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Religious School

Sunday, January 9th, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Religious School

Sunday, January 23rd, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Sisterhood Meeting

Wednesday, January 12th, 1:00 – 3:00pm

Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, January 25th, 5:30 – 6:30pm

Sisterhood Book Club: *The Vanishing Half*
by Britt Bennett.

Wednesday, January 19th, 1:00 – 2:00pm

Religious School

Sunday, January 30th, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Special Upcoming Event for February
Mark your calendar & return your form!



Thursday, February 17, 2022
10:30 am - registration
11:00 am tournament starts

Mah Jongg Tournament

Cash Prizes and lunch included
\$30 donation sponsored by Temple Bet Yam

St. Augustine Duplicate Bridge Club
 10 Fairbanks Street ~ St. Augustine, FL Exit I-95 at SR 16 (exit 318). East to US 1. North 2 blocks to Fairbanks Street. Turn left between Red Carpet Inn and Depot Plaza. Club is behind the strip mall.

Questions?
 Contact Teresa Freedman at 774-994-2066

Deadline to enter is February 10, 2022

Masks Required - No walk ins!

-- ✂ -- Mah Jongg Tournament Reservation Form -- ✂ --

Name: _____

Phone (home): _____ (cell): _____

Email: _____

of people: _____ I will bring my Mah Jongg set: Yes _____ No _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____ check # _____

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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.

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



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