

## Religious School Engaged In Learning and Mitzvot

The Temple Beth-El Religious School and Youth Groups have been running on all cylinders, with high energy Jewish activities.

Recent Activities:

- ✧ **Tu B'shvat Seder and Activities:** led by Rabbi Goldsmith and teachers, students experienced the seven species (shivat haminim); they also planted mock flowers made of: dirt (Oreo cookies), seeds (shelled sunflower seeds) and water to help them grow (chocolate sauce!). The seder was memorable...though the most growth was in their bellies!
- ✧ Purim Spiel, Carnival, and Mitzvot: TBE students shared holiday costumes and songs at the "Wicked" Community Spiel, enjoyed a carnival with friends and TEE students, and prepared Purim gifts for retirement home residents.
- ✧ **Youth Group Activities:** Boxing Boot Camp, Rock Climbing, Purim baking... just to name a few. More cool events are planned for the remainder of the school year.
- ✧ Religious School Passover Fundraiser

Upcoming Activities:

- ✧ Sunday, March 10th: Botanical Gardens Trip
- ✧ Sunday, March 31st: Passover Chocolate Seder

Ways to Support Our Youth

- ✧ Encourage friends, grandkids, and other Jewish connections to check out the Religious School to experience Jewish learning, mitzvot and community.
- ✧ Support When Pigs Fly Kosher BBQ Cook-off and Festival as a sponsor, team member, or volunteer (see below for more details about your support for our youth)
- ✧ Attend Family Shabbat Ruach to celebrate our children, and volunteer to help on Religious School activities/fundraisers.

For more information contact Maurine Halpern,  
Education Administrator, at [mhalpern@templebeth-el.net](mailto:mhalpern@templebeth-el.net).



Temple Beth-El • Piggly Wiggly  
Fourth Annual  
**When Pigs Fly!**  
Presented by  
The Brenda and Fred Friedman Family Foundation



**Kosher BBQ Cook-off  
and Festival**  
Birmingham • May 19, 2013

Save the Date and Join the Long List of High Flying Sponsors  
**When Pigs Fly Kosher BBQ Cook-off and Festival**  
Sunday, May 19, 2013

To become a sponsor or donate your time, contact  
Jacob Halpern at [majorpromotions@charter.net](mailto:majorpromotions@charter.net)  
Organize your team today to take home the Overall Winner Trophy!  
[www.whenpigsflykosherbbq.com](http://www.whenpigsflykosherbbq.com)

Event proceeds will support educational and social enrichment for  
Temple Beth-El youth.

## Religious Service Schedule

### March 2013

March 1	Erev Shabbat	5:45 pm
	Candle lighting	5:25 pm
March 2	Saturday morning	9:30 am
	Parshat Ki Tissa/Parah	
	<i>Maftir: Dalia Abrams</i>	
	Shabbat Mincha	4:30 pm
March 8	Erev Shabbat	5:45 pm
	Candle lighting	5:31 pm
March 9	Saturday morning	9:30 am
	Parshat Vayakhel-Pekudei/Hachodesh	
	<i>Bar Mitzvah: Avi Goldstein</i>	
	Shabbat Mincha	4:30 pm
* Shabbat Mincha time changes from 4:30pm to 5:30pm due to the end of Daylight Savings Time.		
March 15	Erev Shabbat	5:45 pm
	Candle lighting	6:36 pm
March 16	Saturday morning	9:30 am
	Parshat Vayikra	
	<i>Maftir: Barry Dreayer</i>	
	Shabbat Mincha	5:30 pm
March 22	Erev Shabbat	5:45 pm
	Candle lighting	6:42 pm
March 23	Saturday morning	9:30 am
	Parshat Tzav/Shabbat HaGadol	
	<i>Maftir: Naomi Ivker</i>	
	Shabbat Mincha	5:30 pm
March 25	Erev Pesach	
	Mincha/Maariv	5:30 pm
	Candle lighting	6:44 pm
March 26	Pesach	9:30 am
	<i>Maftir: Julian Brook</i>	
	2nd night Mincha/Maariv	5:30pm
March 27	Pesach	9:30 am
	<i>Maftir: Larry Brook</i>	
March 29	Erev Shabbat	5:45 pm
	Candle lighting	6:47 pm
March 30	Saturday morning	9:30 am
	Shabbat Pesach	
	<i>Maftir: Josh Ivker</i>	
	Shabbat Mincha	5:30 pm
March 31	Pesach	
	Mincha/Maariv	5:30 pm
	Candle lighting	6:48 pm

## Weekday Service Schedule

Daily Morning Minyan	7:00 am
Sundays & Secular Holidays	8:00 am
Daily Afternoon Minyan	5:30 pm
Saturday Afternoon Mincha	4:30 pm/5:30pm

\*Mincha time changes from 4:30pm to 5:30pm beginning on March 16th due to the end of Daylight Savings time.

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## Message From Our Executive Director



We are listening carefully. I hope that is clear. And from all indications, you are noticing the improvements. 15% of congregants immediately **responded to our “Click Here” communication to help us update Chaverware**, our synagogue database. The readership of focused Temple Beth-El email communications has almost doubled in the past 6 months, particularly as Arlene Fisher and Steven Corenblum have shared strategic decisions about Board and Rabbinic Search Committee progress. Our **“Heart of Temple Beth-El” articles have also been popular, generating** increased interest in daily Minyan, Cemetery care, and other TBE services. And most importantly, we have been working hard to function as a business—ensuring that we act as good stewards of your financial support to TBE.

I am proud of the staff we have assembled at TBE. With over 500 members, a vital network of Committees, and numerous community connections, Temple Beth-El is an exciting place to work and serve. Please review the information below so we can continue to serve you fully, and you can support our efforts to provide high quality service.

**Finance:** I am pleased to share that Teresa Mason Pool, who has served as Bookkeeper at TBE for over a year, has taken on the role of Finance Director. Teresa is a dedicated and talented staff member who has partnered with Finance Chair Bruce Downs to clean up past TBE records. Teresa will be responsible for dues collections, donations, disbursement of funds, budgeting, and financial policies and procedures.

**Office Staff:** Isa Dorsky continues to bring great skill and care to her role as Communications Coordinator/Assistant to the Clergy. Isa has quickly stepped in to raise the bar on our use of technology and in support of the clergy. Emily Gregory is serving as Receptionist/Membership Coordinator, providing a welcoming voice and quick response when congregants call or visit TBE.

**Events Staff:** Debby Thomas brings extensive hospitality experience to TBE as Events/Kitchen Coordinator. She works with congregants and community groups to make certain set-up and food meet your expectations. Nico Cusi, Warren Collins, and Evan Salter provide support services during events.

I believe in building strong teams. Our goal is to provide quality service with a smile. I hope you have noticed. You can help us in this process by

- Completing the Membership Information update form (at [www.templebeth-el.net](http://www.templebeth-el.net) or by hard copy mailed to you)
- Contacting our Finance Office if you have any questions about the billing of your membership commitment or recent donations
- **Contact me to share ideas for future “Heart of Temple Beth-El” Communications, or other ideas to help us continue to serve you better**

**B’shalom,**  
Bob Greenberg

## March Religious School News

### Passover Religious School Fundraiser

Our Religious School students just finished selling Kosher for Passover goodies. Thanks to all who showed their support for our Religious School!

### March Calendar of Events

March 3: Project Mishpacha (6th & parents)  
 March 3: Coffee Talk Program (7th-10th)  
 March 10: Botanical Gardens trip\*  
 March 16-24: No Jr. Congregation/School– Spring Break

March 22: Family Shabbat Ruach and Dinner\*  
 March 26: Passover– Jr. Congregation (2nd-6th)\*  
 March 31: Chocolate Seder and Religious School\*  
 March 31: Coffee Talk Program (7th-10th)

\*All items indicated that students registered for “activities only” are invited in addition to students registered for classes.

## March Youth Group Events



*Kadima teens participating in a recent boxing lesson at the LJCC with Martin Juarez!*

March 3rd: Challah Baking for Grades 3-5  
 Join Chaverim for an afternoon of challah baking at TBE! Lunch will be provided.

March 31st: Rock Climbing for Grades 6-12  
 Kadima and USY will be meeting after Religious School at TBE at 12 for a light lunch. We will then carpool to 1st Avenue Rocks for an afternoon of rock climbing!  
 Cost is \$10 per child.

## Celebrating becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Avi Goldstein

Son of Jessica & Michael Goldstein



Saturday, March 9  
 9:30 am

*Kiddush Luncheon hosted by  
 Jessica and Michael Goldstein*

## Bat Mitzvah Project: Haley Applebaum



In honor of her upcoming Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, April 27th, Haley Applebaum will be collecting cash and grocery store gift cards to donate to the Wounded Warrior Project. To contribute to Haley's Bat Mitzvah project, please drop off donations to the TBE Office. Please consider purchasing your grocery store gift cards through Perfect Sense, to support Haley and TBE.

For more information about the Wounded Warrior Project, please visit [www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org).

## Message From Our Foundation

### Announcing the Arnold and Florie Krell Childcare Fund

**The Temple's future depends on a strong TBE Foundation. The Foundation's strength comes from the** endowed funds that produce an annual allocation. This allocation provides some of the funds the Temple requires to remain financially solvent and provides necessary services to the congregation. I have the pleasure to announce a newly named endowment fund.

**Jimmy and Sheri Krell have initiated a new fund in memory of Jimmy's parents, Arnold and Florie Krell.** Jimmy and Sheri are long-time members and both have a rich history of volunteering their time and donating their financial resources to TBE. Both honor their parents by emulating their love of Temple and volunteerism.

Jimmy has served as President of both the Foundation and Temple Board of Directors. His father, a soft spoken accountant who died in 1983, served on the Board of their Pittsburgh Synagogue for many years. **Jimmy remembers his father, Arnold's, deep commitment to visiting the sick. Every week he** would visit his elderly and sick relatives throughout the city. He also told me that his father started every day with prayer and tefillin. As young men, both Jimmy and his brother followed this example. **Jimmy also fondly remembers walking with his father to services during the Jewish Holidays. Arnold's** love of Judaism provided Jimmy a role model for life that he has followed with his own children.

**Jimmy's childhood home was a mixture of his parent's traditional and religious practices. Jewish** holidays were special and designed to make people feel welcomed and full with wonderful traditional dishes! There were always Jewish and non-Jewish visitors invited. For these holiday meals, his mother baked and cooked for weeks to prepare for perfect meals. This family enjoyment of holidays can also be **seen in Sheri and Jimmy's home and extended family.**

**Jimmy's mother, Florie, was committed to the Jewish Youth Movement. She served as chairman of the** Youth Commission when Jimmy was USY President and attended several USY conventions. Both she and Arnold were strong supporters of Camp Ramah, having two children as campers and counselors. Florie was a gregarious woman who enjoyed public speaking and drama. She provided encouragement and support for Jimmy and his siblings during their preparations for all speaking assignments. She continued the tradition with her grandchildren by helping them prepare for school presentations and their Bar Mitzvahs. Florie was also a tireless volunteer for Jewish causes. She was a vital part of an annual Brandeis book sale fundraising project. She taught her children the importance of giving your time and energy towards worthwhile Jewish endeavors.

By choosing childcare as a target of this new endowment fund, Jimmy and Sheri honor both their **family's tradition of caring for young children and supporting their Synagogue. This donation is one** more example of the important services the Foundation provides to the Congregation of TBE. If you **would also like to be a part of TBE's future financial health, please contact Barbara Gordon at** [barbaragordon@charter.net](mailto:barbaragordon@charter.net) or 978-5542. There are many methods for you to participate. Please let me give you some ideas.

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### Recent Donations

Virginia and Hertzl Heiman have made a donation to the Maxine and Stanley Lapidus Special Projects Fund **in gratitude to Dr. Billy Lapidus, "for his kindness, efforts and for being there for us when we needed help. We appreciate his assistance more than he will ever know".**

Joyce Spielberger has made a donation to the Tenenbaum Spielberger Tikkun Olam Fund in **Memory of Rusty Radwin, "a beloved friend".**

Pleased to announce the initiation of the Arnold and Florie Krell Childcare Fund by Jimmy and Sheri Krell.

## Message From Our President – Reprinted from January 30 Email

Below is a reprint of an email blast that went to those members who have provided TBE with an email address. If you have not already done so and would like to receive emails from TBE, please call the office or email [egregory@templebeth-el.net](mailto:egregory@templebeth-el.net).

Following a suggestion from a past president, I am initiating a monthly email blast to communicate to you what is happening at Temple Beth-El. My administration is an open one; I do not believe there are any areas that are off limits. I want to provide you with important details so that you can be a correctly informed member. If there is any other information that I can provide you, please let me know, [afisher185@aol.com](mailto:afisher185@aol.com), 967-5459.

At our January Board Meeting, I was very pleased to announce that Maurine Halpern has agreed to continue in her role as Education Administrator for the next Religious School year. She has done a fantastic job - under her guidance, the faculty have become a cohesive group and our classrooms are alive with children who are eager to learn. Our ISJL (Institute for Southern Jewish Life) Coordinator - the ISJL curriculum is what we use in our Religious School - was here in February for teacher training and to meet our congregants.

The Rabbi Search Committee has received approximately 16 resumes and has conducted five telephone interviews. From those five telephone interviews, the Committee decided to conduct Skype interviews with three of the candidates. The consensus of the committee is that we want to be selective in who WE feel is worthy of being OUR rabbi. If, after these Skype interviews, we feel that we do not want to pursue any of these candidates, we will continue seeking more resumes.

In partnership with the Executive Committee, we have organized a "Think Tank" which recently had its first meeting. Committee members are: Martin Damsky, Alan Engel, Gary Gordon, Ken Grodner, Sharon Kahn, Lisa Kianoff, Jimmy Krell, Sue Lischkoff, Loraine Reznik, Howard Sokol, and Alan Weintraub. The group discussed topics including our financial situation, membership, and our 2179 Highland Avenue facilities and the surrounding area. We covered a wide range of items, lots of good conversation, and a variety of ideas on how to handle these areas. More details will follow as the committee's work gets underway!

The Security Committee met recently to review our current procedures in case of a fire, inclement weather, or lock-down. The group recommended that security staff on Saturdays be reduced to one guard when no special event is being conducted and recommended adding one guard on Wednesdays during Religious School. The House Committee has been meeting monthly to care for our facilities. The downstairs entryway door has been repaired; a small leak has developed in the Cultural Center roof and is in line to be repaired. The Committee recommended proceeding with annual inspection of the Mesch Building to extend the roof warranty from 20 to 25 years.

The Finance Committee met to discuss our current dues structure and possible new dues commitment models. There are members who are in arrears beyond 2012, and they discussed how to approach collection of this money.

The Temple Beth-El Foundation held its bi-monthly meeting, and the following expenditures that the TBE Board had voted on were approved: \$8,000 for Deferred Maintenance; up to \$15,000 for Rabbinic Search expenses.

Our membership currently stands at 533 member units. Personnel is our largest Expense item, which is to be expected, and Dues is our biggest revenue producer. Over the past several years, the downturn in the economy impacted our membership's ability to maintain higher dues level, yet our member services that were/are provided remain at a high level. The Board continues to seek ways to be more fiscally responsible, as do our professionals. We are constantly evaluating our staffing needs. Tough decisions have had to be made based on our needs, not our wants. For many years we have had the luxury of both a rabbi and a cantor; this is no longer an affordable option. I see our future needs being met with a senior rabbi and an educational director/cantor. Not opting to conduct a Cantor Search is a conscious decision - based on the fact that there are only 3 B'nai Mitzvahs on the calendar for next year, six for the following year, and the fact that our budget cannot support three staff professionals. Here is an unabashed plea: dues levels must increase!

We are a congregation which is looking towards the future with much anticipation of what a new rabbi will bring. Our Religious School is on solid footing with teachers who are committed to providing the best education to our students. Sisterhood and Men's Club are active with programming opportunities that are open to all. Family Shabbat Ruach Services and Dinners are fun ways to welcome Shabbat with your family and friends. In general, there is a lot going on at TBE, and I hope you will join us, be it for services or one of our special programs. I sense a coming together - we all want a vibrant, welcoming congregation, and we are getting there!

Find the hidden ★ in the bulletin and be the first one to call the Temple office - you will win an adult meal ticket to the "When Pigs Fly Bar-B-Q"! (Previous winners are excluded.) Last month's winner was Karen Weinrib.

## Temple Beth-El

Invites you and your family to attend

# VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION SHABBAT & LUNCHEON

Saturday, April 6, 2013

Sponsored by:

Temple Beth-El Foundation and Temple Beth-El

Look for a formal invitation coming soon in the mail!

### Dollars and Sense at TBE



What a year 2012 was...changes, changes and more changes...but, GREAT strides in the Finance Office were made with the help of numerous congregants, volunteers, board members, and staff. Thank you, everyone, for all of your help. Together we accomplished a seemingly impossible mission. In 2013 more changes are coming; we need your help. Are you ready?

Chaverware, our database, has been updated, and with your help, will be totally updated soon. Remember, if at any time you need to update your address, phone number, etc. please let us know ASAP. Billings, payments, donations, statements, and other financial processes have been caught up, new policies and procedures are in place, and again, thanks to everyone, improved 100 percent!

Perfect \$en\$e has struggled for the past several months but with your continued support will be able to continue IF the volumes of orders are increased. TBE currently offers gift cards for Publix, Western, and Winn-Dixie. The support of everyone is really needed to make this fundraising program successful. I have been told that Perfect \$en\$e makes sense, are you participating? For more information, visit the TBE website or click on the link for Perfect \$en\$e in the weekly emails.

If we have not met yet, either by phone or in person, stop by, have a piece of chocolate, enjoy the **crooning baritone voice of Cantor Gale**, or **call me to introduce yourself...you cannot miss me, I am the only redhead in the group!**

If you have a question about your membership account, donations, credit card payments, Perfect \$en\$e, or any other financial matter, please feel free to contact me at [finance@templebeth-el.net](mailto:finance@templebeth-el.net).

Teresa Mason Pool  
Finance Director

## Pesach Guide

### Excerpts and text from the THE RABBINICAL ASSEMBLY PESACH GUIDE

by Rabbi Barry Starr and the Committee on Jewish Law & Standards (CJLS) Kashrut Subcommittee  
(For the full Pesach Guide, please visit [www.rabbinicalassembly.org/pesach-guide](http://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/pesach-guide))

**Stories play a key role in identifying a religion or nation, especially the ones at the center of a community's** history and ritual, the ones taught to members of the community from an early age and repeated often by adults in rituals and prayers. Such master stories express in easily understandable and emotionally **compelling terms a community's understanding of its origins, its values, and its goals.** If one were to compare the view of life and humanity embedded in the master stories of, for example, Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Buddhism – and the United States, China, and Israel – one would find deep differences in how these various human communities understand who they are as individuals and as a community, what is important in life, and what they should strive for.

**Judaism's master story is the Exodus from Egypt, followed by the trek to Mount Sinai and then to the** Promised Land of Israel. We leave Egypt not as individuals but as a nation, and we do so only with the help of God. This is very different from the staunch individualism at the heart of the liberalism that has forged most Western countries. At Mount Sinai we engage in a Covenant with God that establishes the basis of our relationship with God – and the duties of that relationship – for ourselves and all our descendants.

#### KASHERING THE KITCHEN

It is customary (and easiest) to remove the utensils and dishes that are used during the year, replacing them with either new utensils or utensils used year to year only for Pesach. This is clearly not possible for major appliances and may not even be possible for dishes and utensils.

There is a process for *kashering* many, but not all, kitchen items thus making them kosher for Pesach:

The general principle used in kashering is that the way the utensil absorbs food is the way it can be purged of that food. This principle operates on the basis of the quality or intensity of how the items absorb food. Things used for cold food can be *kashered* by rinsing since no substance has been absorbed by the dish or glass. Items used on a stove absorb the food and thus need a stronger level of action namely expelling the food into boiling water. The most intense form of usage is directly on a fire or in an oven and these utensils require the most intense method of *kashering*, namely **ליבון** (*libbun*), which burns away absorbed food.

#### FOODS

The Torah prohibits the ownership of *hameitz* (flour, food or drink made from the prohibited species of leavened grain: wheat, oats, barley, rye or spelt) during Pesach. Ideally we burn or remove all *hameitz* from our premises which may be effected by donations to a local food pantry.

In some cases, however, this would cause prohibitive financial loss. In such cases, we arrange for the sale of the *hameitz* to a non-Jew and its repurchase after Pesach:

Mekhirat hameitz – the sale of hameitz is **accomplished by appointing an agent, usually one's rabbi** to handle the sale. This must be considered a valid and legal transfer of ownership and thus the items sold must be separated and stored away from all other foods and supplies. This means that non-Passover dishes, pots, utensils and *hameitz* food that have been sold as part of the selling of one's *hameitz* should be separated, covered or locked away to prevent accidental use. At the end of the holiday, the agent arranges to repurchase the items on behalf of the owner, since the *hameitz* at that time is again permitted. One must wait until one is sure the repurchase has been done. If ownership of the *hameitz* was not transferred

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before the holiday, the use of any such *hameitz* remains prohibited after the holiday and any such products should be given away to a non-Jewish food pantry.

#### Prohibited foods

Since the Torah prohibits the eating of *hameitz* during Pesach, and since many common foods contain some, guidance is necessary when shopping and preparing for Pesach.

Prohibited foods include the following:

•biscuits      •cakes      •crackers      •leavened bread      •pasta      •coffees containing cereal derivatives

These are foods that are generally made with wheat, barley, oats, spelt or rye (grains that can become *hameitz*). Any food containing these grains or derivatives of these grains must be certified kosher for Pesach.

Flavorings in foodstuffs are often derived from alcohol produced from one of these grains which would render that food *hameitz*. Such products also need Pesach supervision.

Rabbinical authorities added the following foods to the above list of prohibited foods:

•beans    • corn      • millet      • peas      • rice      • soy

These and some other plant foods (e.g. mustard, buckwheat and sesame seeds) are not permitted for eating on Pesach. They need not be sold or disposed of before Pesach. The processed products, whether liquid or solid, from *kitniyot* are also forbidden by most rabbinical authorities. These might include but not be limited to ascorbic acid (vitamin C), corn oil, corn sweetener, and soy oil. Most Sephardic authorities permit the use of all the *kitniyot* foods other than those that might have come in contact with the prohibited grains. **Israeli products are often marked “contains kitniyot” and thus Jews who do not use kitniyot need to be vigilant when purchasing Israeli products for Passover. Our Movement’s Committee on Jewish Law and Standards** has permitted the use of peanuts and peanut oil on Pesach provided said items have proper year round kosher certification and do not contain any *hameitz* ingredients.

\*Please note that the Temple Beth-El office will close for Passover on Monday, March 25th at 2pm, and both days Tuesday and Wednesday, March 26th and 27th, and again on Monday and Tuesday, April 1st and 2nd.

## Men’s Club

**The Men’s Club is off to a great start this year. The Husband/Wife Bowling Night on February 2<sup>nd</sup> was a great success and well attended with 34 participants. Credit to Steve and Melissa Altmann for helping provide a discounted price for the event (i.e. \$14/couple). On February 3<sup>rd</sup> Men’s Club, under the guidance of Cantor Gale, hosted the World Wide Wrap and furnished tefillin for the 5<sup>th</sup> graders: Kaitlyn Jefferson, Krewson Heller, Ozzy Heller, Austin Sikora, Raquel Wolnek, and Melissa Stein.**

Upcoming events:

- Father/Son/Daughter day at the Gulf South Conference Basketball Tournament at Samford University on Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup>, Time TBA
- Men’s Club Thursday Baron’s Baseball Game-Date TBA

**Join the Men’s Club today. Dues are very affordable at \$36/year.**

Contact Eric Goldis at 205-365-1285 or [eric@taylor-miree.com](mailto:eric@taylor-miree.com) with any questions, suggestions, or concerns.

Thanks,  
Eric Goldis



## BE<sup>★</sup>involved

Dear Beth-El Congregants:

For many years, Temple Beth-El and the Jewish community, with Eva Wilensky at the helm, has served lunch every Christmas, Easter, and Thanksgiving at Grace Episcopal Church. This project relieves the regular staff of Community Kitchens, so they can stay home during the holidays with their families while those local community members living in the area who fall on hard times are still able to enjoy their holiday meal.

This is a daunting task. To feed up to 100 people turkey, ham, dressing, and all the fixings through donations is a labor of love and hours of volunteer work. Those of us who come to serve show up for a few hours and help facilitate. But there are many other tasks that need your support:

- Talking to the grocery stores or wholesale distributors for donations
- Picking up the donated food
- Storing the food in freezers
- Transporting it to the church
- Preparing and serving of the meals
- Cleaning after the meals

For this social action project to continue by the Jewish community, Eva is in need of help. She needs volunteers to contact groceries and corporate offices to help get donations collected. Local businesses will donate, but it takes time and energy to contact them. We are hoping to expand our donations and find new sources of food and energy to support Community Kitchens during the holidays. Some local grocery stores have been contacted each year, but we need further involvement by our congregants to help with this task. The list below includes suggested contacts for donations of food or gift cards:

Grocery Stores: Publix, Western, Piggly Wiggly, Winn Dixie, etc.

Bakeries: Edgar's, Magic Muffin. Great American Cookie Co. etc.

Wholesale Outlets: Sam's and Costco

We are asking for people to step forward to let us know if you can contact one or more businesses in the area. If you get personally involved then we can secure donations year after year and make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate.

Please let us know if you could become part of the chain to keep this volunteer service going in the future. For more information on how to get involved, please contact Eva Wilensky at 967-3340 or [littleva@bellsouth.net](mailto:littleva@bellsouth.net), or Sherrie Grunfeld at 969-3675 or [ssdgrun@aol.com](mailto:ssdgrun@aol.com).

### Sisterhood Gift Shop News



The Sisterhood Gift shop is here to fill your Judaic gifting needs. We are constantly receiving new items for the holidays, baby gifts, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, and weddings.

Come see our new matching Seder and Matzah Plates, Shabbat Candle sticks, beautiful Challah covers, Havdallah Sets, ladies and men's jewelry, and new car Mezuzahs. We are expecting some outstanding men's Tallit from Israel, and we recently received some beautiful hand painted silk women's Tallit.



You can register for all your special occasions, so friends and family can come in to our gift shop and get you exactly what you want.

Come shop and support our Religious School!



## Sisterhood

### Sisterhood to Host Maggie Anton—Tuesday, May 7



If you are a history buff, or love to read novels with fascinating, daring protagonists, Maggie Anton is your author. An acclaimed researcher and historian, her books put the reader in a different age, in the developing intellectual & emotional culture of Judaism and the Talmud set over a thousand years ago. Maggie is an outstanding storyteller.

Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El is pleased to bring Maggie Anton to Birmingham, to our synagogue on Tuesday, May 7, 2013. Be sure to READ the latest book – or all of her books, and mark your calendars!

Maggie Anton is best known for the *Rashi's Daughters* trilogy: *Book I Joheved, Book II Miriam, and Book III Rachel*. Maggie is recognized by Talmud scholars from every branch of Judaism as an authority on medieval French Jewish women, having retired as a clinical chemist to research Rashi, his family of daughters, and 11<sup>th</sup> century Jewish life. **The trilogy of Rashi's daughters is an award winning historic story** of the life and times of Rashi, cited as an authentic writing of medieval Judaism. At the same time, all three books tell the story of women in 11<sup>th</sup> century France who participated in the previously unheard of studies. Women of the times were not allowed to study Talmud.

While *Rashi's Daughters* are called “novels of love and the Talmud in Medieval France,” Maggie Anton’s latest novel is “a novel of love, the Talmud, and Sorcery.”

This book, *Rav Hisda's Daughter, Book I: Apprentice*, has once again earned the highest praise from Talmudic scholars and historians of Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform Judaism. Tal Ilan, Professor of Jewish Studies at the Freie Universitat Berlin and acknowledged Babylonian Talmud scholar, compares this book to *Pride and Prejudice* set in Talmudic times and terms.

*Rav Hisda's Daughter, Book I: Apprentice* is set in the times of the Babylonian branch of the Talmud in the late 3<sup>rd</sup> Century. Maggie Anton’s research adds authenticity to the novel of “the history and culture of Jews in Late Antiquity,” in the words of Professor Rachel Adler of Hebrew Union College.

Maggie Anton is an author of the highest caliber, and we are honored that she is coming and proud to be able to offer this program to our Jewish Community.

## Leagrams

Judy Cullinan: Happy birthday  
Barbara Bonfield: Happy birthday  
Christopher Jefferson: Happy birthday  
Garth Potts: Happy birthday  
Barbara Hirschowitz: Condolences on the loss of your husband, Basil  
From: *Esther & Jerry Brown.*

Albert Sikora: Happy birthday  
Dalia & Keith Abrams: Mazal Tov on the Bar Mitzvah of your son, Matan  
Marian & Myron Radwin: Condolences on the loss of your son, Rusty  
From: *Shirley & Paul Schlaff*

Marian & Myron Radwin: Condolences on the loss of your son, Rusty  
From: *Charlotte Weinstein*

Albert Sikora: Happy birthday  
From: *Cecile & Max Herzel*

Joyce & Gaston Stein: Thanks for being a member of the Adult Programming Committee  
Carol Tuck: Mazal Tov on the marriage of your granddaughter, Kaley  
Sherry & Jerry Cherner: Mazal Tov on your anniversary  
Virginia & Hertzl Heiman: Mazal Tov on the birth of your great-granddaughter  
Vicki & Eddie Denaburg: Condolences on the loss of your mother, Frances S. Evensky  
J.B. Mazer: Happy birthday  
Judy & Jimmy Rotenstreich: In memory of your daughter-in-law Jenifer on her Yahrzeit  
Bloomie Slaughter: In memory of your mother and my dear friend, Ethelyn on her Yahrzeit  
From: *Ralph Sokol*

Rosina Sapir: Sending get well wishes  
From: *Rhoda Rubenstein*

*Contact Ceil Herzel  
at 871-5125 or  
herzel194034@bellsouth.net  
to have a beautifully  
handwritten note sent for  
simchas, get wells, or losses  
for \$3 a contribution to  
Sisterhood.*

## Chesed Committee Update

January 15 was a marathon day of baking for our Chesed volunteers. Natalie Sikora, Joy Fleisher, Pam Ruttenberg, Sheri Epstein, Shirley Froehlich, Hannah Helman and Dorothy Ziff baked 12 pound cakes to fill the temple's freezer. The cakes are there to be delivered as needed to the homes of those in mourning. Many thanks to these industrious women for their hard work! Our thanks as well to Ellen Sokol, Sherrie Grunfeld, Barbara Bonfield, and Natalie Sikora for delivering some of these cakes. If you too are able to perform the mitzvah of comforting the mourner by delivering one of these delicious cakes, please call the temple office.

Chesed volunteer Carol Tuck quietly sends birthday cards to our seniors year round. Many thanks to Carol. We send get well cards too to our seniors, thanks to a very special volunteer who prefers to remain anonymous.

We are also making preparations for celebrating Purim with our senior friends. Chesed is partnering with our Religious School to create hand decorated flower pots planted with spring bulbs to bring Purim joy to our seniors. Many thanks to Maurine Halpern and the children of the school for their help with this project.

We encourage new volunteers to join our activities and to please support our Chesed Fund to help us continue our activities.

Dorothy Ziff  
dorothyziff@hotmail.com

Sandra Gilbert  
sgbhm@bellsouth.net

Cindy May  
cndmay@bellsouth.net

## Beth-Elegant is Here!



Temple Beth-El's latest fundraiser is a hand-crocheted Kippah crafted by experienced artisans from our Temple Beth-El community.

**Ladies' Kippot will be in cream and gold or white and silver. Men's Kippot will be grey and navy.** By special request, crimson and white Kippot will be available for order at the price of \$150.

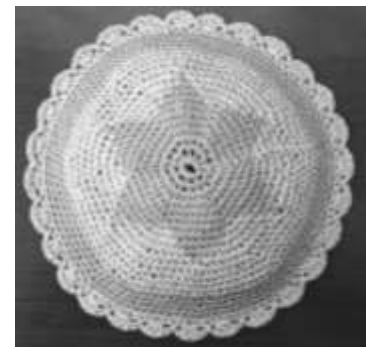
Each Kippah will be crocheted with a Star of David.

Kippot will be available for purchase for \$100. They make wonderful birthday, anniversary, **Mother's Day, Father's Day, etc. gifts!**

If you would like to be one of the exclusive members of our crochet team, please contact Natalie Sikora at 956-6288 or sikoraan@aol.com. We will provide yarn, crochet hook, and instructions.

Join the following who have placed orders!

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|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Naomi Ivker       | 9. Karen Halpern   | 16. Gary Gordon                  |
| 2. Josh Ivker        | 10. Julian Brook   | 17. David Reznik                 |
| 3. Albert Sikora     | 11. Adrienne Brook | 18. Ronald Shiland               |
| 4./5. Natalie Sikora | 12. Allen Halpern  | 19. Colin Helman                 |
| 6. Harold Lischkoff  | 13. Melvin Zivitz  |                                  |
| 7. Jacob Halpern     | 14. Jimmy Krell    | 20. <i>And your name here...</i> |
| 8. Bruce Downs       | 15. Richard Lehr   |                                  |



## Special Birthdays

Mazal Tov to the following on their Special Birthdays for the month of March 2013:

Caryn Corenblum, Stephen Dorsky, Toby Gewant,  
Sara Krantz, Greg Odrezin, Allen Shealy, Janis Staff,  
Charles Stein, Franklin Tessler, Carol Tuck, Evdiniya Zinger



\*Special Birthdays are published in the bulletin beginning with age 50 and every 5 years thereafter.

## TBE Anniversaries

March 2013

Happy  
Anniversary!

Victoria & Matt Baldwin ( 12)	Susie & Steven Litvine (36)
Nadine & Louis Cohen (32)	Jan & Craig Niedenthal (25)
Caryn Roseman & Shahar Dillbary (6)	Barbara & Mark Nissenbaum (39)
Carol & Mark Entman (45)	Amy & Stephen Peetluk (13)
Rhoda & Wayne Fleisig (21)	Jennifer & Rich Rosenthal (18)
Debbie & Glenn Geldzahler (32)	Arlene & Marvin Shelsky (42)
Brooke & Justin Kaplan (8)	Bridget & Steven Sikora (18)
Naomi & Allen Kipp (20)	

*May you go from strength to strength.*

*If your anniversary or special birthday is not listed above, please let us know so that we may update our records. Please contact Emily at 933.2740 or egregory@templebeth-el.net.*

## Mazal Tov

Mazal Tov to Roz Feigelson on being the first recipient of the Joyce Rich Benjamin Memorial Award for Volunteer Service Excellence at the Levite Jewish Community Center.

Mazel Tov to Donna and Gary Schiff on the engagement of their daughter, Caren to Seth Morganstern, son of Carol and Alan Grodin of Atlanta, and the late Joel Morganstern <sup>z"l</sup>. Mazel Tov also to grandfather, Wally Cohen.

## Welcome New Members!

Sarah Kirshtein                      Betzy & Spencer Lynch  
Cooper and Renie

## Directory Changes

Cindi & Michael Routman

## White Elephant Sale



The TBE annual White Elephant Sale in conjunction with the "When Pigs Fly" BBQ will be Sunday, May 19th. Do your spring cleaning early and get your items ready to donate to this community-wide sale. Bring any gently-used books, toys, DVDs, videos, games, housewares, Judaica, antiques, furniture, sports equipment, artwork, vintage décor, glassware, barware, kitchen & bath...nearly everything but the kitchen sink! For more information, contact Judy Cullinan at 205.969.3278 or judyriva@aol.com.

## Speedy Recovery

Best wishes for a speedy recovery and continued good health to:  
Harvey Benjamin, Laura Gordon, Toots Plotka, Razelle Toranto

## Condolences

With sympathy, we wish the following families peace and love during their time of sorrow:

Walter Klein  
Husband of Toby Klein; Father of Joe Klein, Stephen Cohen, Jason Klein, and Jarod Klein;  
Brother of Adele Kaplan Kisber

Rusty Radwin  
Son of Marian and Myron Radwin; Brother of Holly Radwin Mazer

*May the families be comforted among the other mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.*



*Guess who I am!  
Last month's picture was...  
Bobbie Sokol*

## Got Perfect \$en\$e? She Does...Do You? Grocery Store Gift Cards Available!

Make your grocery shopping easy and help TBE at the same time!  
Purchase grocery store gift cards from TBE (\$ for \$) and the Temple  
makes money from your purchase.

Order your Perfect \$en\$e grocery store gift cards  
(Publix, Western, & Winn-Dixie)  
by calling the office at 933-2740 or order online at  
<https://www.templebeth-el.net/perfectsense/>

## Passover Family Shabbat Ruach & Community Dinner



Join us March 29th for a special *Passover Family Shabbat Ruach*. Our casual service begins at 5:45pm.

*Family Shabbat Ruach* is an hour-long Friday evening service for both children and adults guaranteed to uplift your *Ruach* (spirit) and enliven your soul.

Bring your entire family as we joyously welcome the Sabbath in song and prayer. Kosher for Passover chicken dinner to follow services. Cost is \$15 per adult, \$10 per child 5-13. Family Shabbat Ruach is a time to welcome Shabbat with family and friends following Friday night services. To create an atmosphere like home, individuals may bring an unopened bottle of wine to enjoy with your dinner.

To reserve your spot, please email or call the TBE office at [egregory@templebeth-el.net](mailto:egregory@templebeth-el.net) or 933-2740 or complete the form on this month's bulletin insert.

## Donations

### Good Fortune Fund

A Double Chai donation wishing Mazal Tov to Albert Sikora on his special birthday

*From: Sue & David Sikora*

A Double Chai donation in honor of our 25th anniversary

*From: Jacquelyn & Joel Bank*

A Chai donation in honor of Carl Corenblum achieving Smicha in Israel

*From: Sheri & Jimmy Krell*

A Chai donation wishing Mazal Tov to Jan & Kenny Jaffe on their anniversary

*From: Charlotte Corenblum & Karl Friedman*

Mazal Tov to Melvin Sokol on his birthday

*From: Charlotte Corenblum & Karl Friedman*

Mazal Tov to J.B. Mazer on his special birthday

Mazal Tov to Arnold Shiland on the marriage of his son, Stuart  
*From: Arlene Fisher*

Mazal Tov to Courtney & Andy Bernstein on the birth of Ava Ruth

*From: Andy & Bob Bernstein, Greg & Karyn*

Mazal Tov to Sherry & Jerry Cherner on their anniversary

*From: Virginia & Hertzl Heiman*

Mazal Tov to Eph Mazer on his special birthday

*From: Norma Jean Long  
Joan & Don Weisberg*

Mazal Tov to Vicki & Art Lewis on the marriage of their daughter Alexis to Matthew Chenkus

*From: Edward Levin*

### Temple Beth-El General Fund

*Wishing a speedy recovery and continued good health to:*

A Double Chai donation wishing speedy recovery to Melvin Olshan  
*From: Dolly & David Staff*

Wishing a speedy recovery to Melvin Olshan

Wishing a speedy recovery to Jack Becker

*From: Charlotte Corenblum & Karl Friedman*

Wishing a speedy recovery to Lenny Schwartz

*From: Lynette & J.B. Mazer*

Wishing a speedy recovery to Gaston Stein

*From: Charlotte Corenblum & Karl Friedman*

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Thank you to Rabbi Goldsmith for her kindness & support during the sickness & funeral of Ralph Jaffe

*From: Barbara Jaffe*

### Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Thank you to Cantor Gale for his kindness & support during this sad & difficult time

*From: Barbara Jaffe*

In loving memory of Rusty Radwin

*From: Gloria Salomon*

Thank you for helping Matan prepare for his Bar Mitzvah

*From: Dalia & Keith Abrams*

Thank you for your help with Bill Simon's funeral

*From: Marsha Simon*

### Keith Altman Ramah Scholarship Fund

In loving memory of Rusty Radwin

*From: Carol Tuck*

### Religious School Fund

In loving memory of William Simon

*From: Judy & Robert Rutstein*

### Edie Wilensky Memorial Fund

In loving memory of Edie Wilensky on her Yahrzeit

*From: Mom, Dena, Rick, Ryan, & Daniel*

In loving memory of Harriet Fuchs Chused

In loving memory of Alfred Jaffe

In loving memory of Harry

Kamenshine on his Yahrzeit

*From: Ilene & Allan Wilensky*

Mazal Tov to Ilene & Allan Wilensky on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Marshall

*From: Shirley & Jack Hasson*

In loving memory of Steve Mittleman

In loving memory of Rusty Radwin

*From: Eileen & Len Levin*

### Robert Spielberger Memorial Fund

In loving memory of Alfred Jaffe

In loving memory of Rusty Radwin

In loving memory of Bernie

Bloomston, beloved uncle on his

Yahrzeit

*From: Lynn & Bert Bloomston*

### Joe Koplun Fund

A Chai donation in loving memory of Eddie Leitman

*From: Julie & Philip Schanzer*

In loving memory of Sarah Gerber

*From: Sandy Koplun*

### Chesed Committee Fund

Mazal Tov to Albert Sikora on his special birthday

*From: Diane & Howard Slaughter*

### Prayer Book Fund

A Shabbat Sim Shalom Sabbath & Holiday Prayer Book has been donated in loving memory of Roberta M.

Gerwin, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit

*From: Beth & John Gerwin*

A Shabbat Sim Shalom Sabbath & Holiday Prayer Book has been donated in loving memory of Rusty Radwin

*From: Evan Geldzahler & family*

### Chico Bomchel Memorial

### Social Action Fund

In loving memory of Helen Schulman on her Yahrzeit

*From: Zena & Lewis Schulman*

In loving memory of Ben Bomchel,

beloved uncle on his Yahrzeit

*From: Chita Weintrob & family*

### Men's Club Children's Fund

A Chai donation in loving memory of Rusty Radwin

*From: Sandra Jaffe & Barry Dreayer*

## Donations

### Memorial Fund *In loving memory of*

A Generous donation in loving memory of Eddie Ceitlin  
*From: Nancy & Bill Stetler*

A Generous donation in loving memory of Alfred Jaffe  
*From: Kym & Martin Lewis*

A Generous donation in loving memory of Alfred Jaffe  
*From: Henni Kraselsky*

A Double Chai donation in loving memory of Rusty Radwin  
*From: Valerie Jacobs*

A Double Chai donation in loving memory of Rusty Radwin  
*From: Ed Kryz & family*

A Double Chai donation in loving memory of Seth Fingerman  
*From: Judy & Edwin Rutsky*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Seth Fingerman  
*From: Sheri & Jimmy Krell  
Sandy & Gene Siegal  
Lanier & Robert Weisberg*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Sylvia Kravitz  
*From: Sheri & Jimmy Krell  
Ethel & Bob Reznik*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Harriet Fuchs Chused  
*From: Esther & Jack Levy*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Rusty Radwin  
*From: Jeannine & Aaron Altmann  
Tobie & Bernard Axel  
Robin & Marc Bloomston  
Karyn Cohen  
Melba Epsman  
Joy & Robert Fleisher  
Shirley & Ron Froehlich  
Vikki & Ken Grodner  
Hannah & Colin Helman  
Gay Jacobs  
Jan & Kenny Jaffe  
Carol, David, Hannan, & Ryan Kahn  
Paula & Joe Levy  
Sheryl & Haran Levy & family  
Lynette & J.B. Mazer  
Pam Rutenberg & Arnold Shiland  
Gail & Abe Schuster  
Ruth Siegler*

William Simon  
*From: Bill Goldman  
Sam Tenenbaum*

Jackie Lischkoff  
*From: Virginia & Hertzl Heiman*

Frances Evensky  
*From: Virginia & Hertzl Heiman*

Sylvia Kravitz  
*From: Maxine Kline Sklute*

Seth Fingerman  
*From: Suzanne & Howard Bearman  
Andy & Bob Bernstein, Greg & Karyn  
Lori & Stephen Dorsky  
Arlene Fisher  
Bill Goldman  
Edward Levin  
The Padawer Family  
Sam Tenenbaum*

Alfred Jaffe  
*From: Charlotte Corenblum & Karl Friedman  
Lori & Stephen Dorsky  
Melba Epsman  
Joy & Robert Fleisher  
Virginia & Hertzl Heiman  
Lynette & J.B. Mazer  
Dorothy Shiland  
Maxine Kline Sklute  
Joyce & Gaston Stein*

Harriet Fuchs Chused  
*From: Rhoda & Wayne Fleisig  
Virginia & Hertzl Heiman  
Micky & Stanley Rubenstein  
Sandy & Gene Siegal  
Joyce & Gaston Stein*

Rusty Radwin  
*From: Suzanne & Howard Bearman  
Sherry & Jerry Cherner  
Mayer Cohen  
Nadine & Louis Cohen  
Charlotte Corenblum & Karl Friedman  
Lori & Stephen Dorsky  
Rhoda & Wayne Fleisig  
Shirley & Jack Hasson  
Edward Levin  
Jon Lewis  
Ilse Nathan  
The Padawer Family  
Hazel & Murray Pizette  
Dorothy Shiland  
Natalie & Albert Sikora  
Maxine Sklute  
Dolly & David Staff  
Judi & Randy Waldrip  
Chita & Howard Weintrob*

Jimmie Hess  
Basil Hirschowitz  
*From: Sherry & Jerry Cherner*

Walter Klein  
*From: Sherry & Jerry Cherner  
Mayer Cohen*

Anne Shiland  
*From: Arlene Fisher*

### On Their Yahrzeits *In loving memory of*

A Very Generous donation in loving memory of Steven Slater  
*From: Barry, Mark, & Dylan Slater, & Dean Chatham*

A Very Generous donation in loving memory of Jess Bernstein, beloved father on his Yahrzeit  
*From: Robert Bernstein*

A Very Generous donation in loving memory of Alex Silverman, beloved father on his Yahrzeit  
*From: Charlotte Corenblum*

A Very Generous donation in loving memory of Bessie Caine, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit  
*From: Harold Caine*

A Generous donation in loving memory of J.M. Silverstein, beloved father on his Yahrzeit  
*From: Cathy Silverstein*

A Double Chai donation in loving memory of Dona Cohen, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit  
*From: Victoria Cohen Baldwin*

A Double Chai donation in loving memory of Steffi Levite, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit  
A Double Chai donation in loving memory of Abbey Benck, beloved granddaughter on her Yahrzeit  
*From: Pam Rutenberg*

A Double Chai donation in loving memory of Nellie Palmer, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit  
*From: Cheryl Palmer*

A Double Chai donation in loving memory of Irving Buchalter, beloved father on his Yahrzeit  
*From: Alan Buchalter*

A Double Chai donation in loving memory of Mel Bruck, beloved husband on his Yahrzeit  
*From: Ellen Bruck*



## Donations

A Chai donation in loving memory of Rosamond Abrams, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit

*From: Arlene & Larry Abrams*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Phillip Schattner, beloved uncle on his Yahrzeit

*From: Rita Glanz*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Irvin Klein, beloved father on his Yahrzeit

*From: Kathy Goldman*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Manuel Wildstein, beloved father on his Yahrzeit

A Chai donation in loving memory of Sidney Gewant, beloved father on his Yahrzeit

*From: Toby & Warren Gewant*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Alex Goldstein, beloved father on his Yahrzeit

*From: Susan & Gary Goldstein*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Rachel Green, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit

*From: Rochelle & Martin Green*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Max Gerson, beloved father on his Yahrzeit

*From: Esther & Jack Levy*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Rabbi Abraham J. Mesch, beloved father on his Yahrzeit

*From: Nissah Mattenson*

A Chai donation in loving memory of P.B. Goldstein, beloved step-father on his Yahrzeit

*From: Melvin Robins*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Solomon Page, beloved father & grandfather on his Yahrzeit

*From: Caren Seligman, Erica & Josh*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Darrell Cohen, beloved son on his Yahrzeit

A Chai donation in loving memory of Syd B. Klein, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit

*From: Toby Klein*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Nathan Zarovsky, beloved father-in-law on his Yahrzeit

*From: Rona Zarovsky*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Ida Brown, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit

*From: Esther & Jerry Brown*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Bess Caine, beloved grandmother on her Yahrzeit

*From: Candace Caine*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Felix Cohen, beloved father, grandfather, & great-grandfather on his Yahrzeit

*From: Mayer Cohen*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Helen Rotenstreich, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit

*From: Joy Fleisher*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Hannah Fleisher, beloved grandmother on her Yahrzeit

A Chai donation in loving memory of Norman Fleisher, beloved brother on his Yahrzeit

*From: Robert Fleisher*

A Chai donation in loving memory of May Meyerowitz, beloved mother & grandmother on her Yahrzeit

*From: Sandy & Gene Siegal & family*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Sam Slaughter, beloved father on his Yahrzeit

*From: Harlene & OJ Wehby*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Reva Levy Engel, beloved mother & grandmother on her Yahrzeit

*From: Lisa & Alan Engel & family*

A Chai donation in loving memory of Mary Akseizer, beloved mother on her Yahrzeit

A Chai donation in loving memory of Marvin Kemeny, beloved father on his Yahrzeit

*From: Lynda & Fred Kemeny*

B.R. Levy, mother

*From: Foster L. Levy*

Idel Kogan, husband

*From: Leya Reznichenko*

Irvin Allen, father & grandfather

*From: Karen & Reuben Halpern & family*

Samuel Ginsburg, grandfather

Hyme Cohen, grandfather

*From: Cindy May*

Bernice Kallman, mother

*From: Marcia Nelson*

Annie Berman, mother  
Dave Berman, father

*From: Irene Raymond & family*

Ann Brick, grandmother

*From: Cindi & Michael Routman*

Cookie Senior, sister-in-law

*From: Natalie & Albert Sikora*

Abe Davis, grandfather

*From: Michelle Tishler*

Rita Routman, sister

*From: Penny Gordon*

Isadore Schlaff, father

Joseph Cohen, father

Daniel Cohen, brother

*From: Shirley & Paul Schlaff*

Esther Goldfarb, mother

*From: The Padawer Family*

Josephine Goldstein, grandmother

*From: Sherry Hoffman*

John Bearman, grandfather

*From: Jon Bell*

Bernie Bloomston, father

*From: Rhoda & Robert Feirman*

Louis Gordon, father-in-law

*From: Mrs. Marshall Gordon*

Victoria Toranto, grandmother

*From: Lori Dorsky & family*

Iosif Iacubovich, grandfather

Sima Kaz-Kagan, aunt

*From: Lazar Golubov*

Sarah Zivitz, grandmother

*From: Howard Slaughter*

\*Donations received after February 7 will be included in the April bulletin.



## Yahrzeits

Shabbat Ki Tissa March 1-2	Ida Leland *Sara Lepp Alan Levine Anna Levine Anne Levy Dora Levy *Harry Levy *Alex Lischkoff Hyman Ludensky Norman Mangel *Max Marx Dorothy Myers *Margaret Newman Lauren Nichols *Esther Padove Betty Pekarne Mary Pitlick *Helen Radoms Marcie Rapkin Ann Reed Annie Ripps Joan Rittenbaum *Albert Robins Norma Saul Evelyn Schaeffer *Edna Schnaper Gabriel Sedlis *Joe Seligman Ruth Shahid Bessie Shapiro Isadore Simon Stuart Simon *Gerald Sklute *William Slater *Nancy Steiner *Victoria Toranto *Bettie Urdong Boruh Vaysbroyt William Ward Harry Werbin *Sophie Winograd	Phillip Davidson Libby Denaburg Harry Eisenberg *Ruth Evans *Harry Feigelson *Mary Feigelson *Reiza Feinberg Wolf Feldman Yakov Feldman Dorothy Foy Yale Friedlander Joseph Gingold *Mildred Ginsburg Rose Glick *Annie Goldberg *Marvin Goldberg Helen Goldenberg Martin Goldman *Bessie Goldner Bessie Hyatt Goldner *Alex Goldstein *Jake Goldstein *Lillian Goldstein *Barbara Hallerman Hannah Halpern *Victor Hanan Leslie Ischow Sol Klinger *Arnold Krell Mary Leitner Seymour Link *Leonard Lischkoff Beverly Marks Sam Marks *Abraham Meer Daniel Newman Burton Peetluk Gladvja Peremitina Philip Plotka *Eugenia Poliakoff *David Randman *Sara Reed Eva Rittenberg *Lynn Rosemore *Vigdor "Buddy" Sarasohn *Fannie Schwartz Nazlie Senior *David Shapiro *Sam Shapiro William Shapiro Diane Sidel *Herman Siegel *Mary Silverfield *Rose Silverfield *Nathan Sokol William Solomon	*Henry Spira *Victor Spira *Myer Staff Fannie Steinberg Leah Sulsky *Joe Toranto Lena Trestman *Hyman Weinstein *Jacob Weinstein	Sarah Schneider *Issac Schwartz Bernie Siegel Florence Silverberg *Harold Silverfield Joseph Sirote *Arthur Smolian Selma Spielberger *Sam Warner *Isadore Weinstein Adele Weisman Harriet Wilder Alex Wilensky *Leonard Zarovsky *Alexander Zinger
Mariya Aleksandrovich *Robert Back *Elaine Benjamin Alan Benson *Estelle Berkowitz Marilyn Bernstein *Nathan Berry Rose Biel *John Binderman Joseph Bindler Louis Bresler *Libby Brook *Menachim Brown *Rose Butler Nathan Cales Jacob Cherner Bradley Chesler *Matilda Cohen *Max Copeland Isadore Davis *Maurice Davis Elizabeth DeYoung Marylyn Dorsky *Joseph Eiman Kenneth Engelhardt *Nathan Epsman Yosif Felgendler *Rita Fleisher Jim Foy *Sarah Frankel Bertha Geeser Wolfe Gerber *Rose Goldberg *Minnie Goldner Malvin Goldstein *Sam Goldstein Gita Golubova *Pauline Gouse Cissy Greene Sam Horowitz Sidney Joseph Polina Kalikhman *Sarah Kanter Della Katz Frances Kaplan Katz Sidney Katz *J.D. Kisber *Stanley Knecht David Koshin Vita Koshina Arthur Laskin Rosemary Laskin *Raphael Leaf			Shabbat Vayikra March 15-16	Shabbat Tzav March 22-23
			*Eva Alper *Joe Apolinsky *Anne Baker *Blanche Berk Daniel Bernstein *Beatrice Binstock Ruth Blender Daniel Brown Saul Charny Lenore Cohen *Dan Danneman Juanita Daskin Robert Degen Michael Feirman Rebecca Gershon *Mary Ginsburg Melvin Greenberg Rachel Herschthal Norman Hirschberg Giza Horowitz *Nanette Hyatt Boris Ioshpa Goldie Kryz Irving Lander Meyer Laskin William Lean *Frieda Levy *Joyce Levy Miriam Lilienthal *Sarah Lischkoff Alfred Long *Larry Lubel *Gustave Meyerowitz Seymour Padove Serafyma Iokhymivna Paley *Tess Pike Gus Raymond Mary Rich Anita Ripps Barbara Rosenberg Raisa Rykov *Sol Sacks Nachama Schlossberg	*Irene Axel Phillip Baer *Vladimir Belotserkovskiy *Harry Berk *Dora Block *Harriet Bogart Annie Bram Miriam Cohen *Marvin Cohn Hyman Coplon *Lucille Cotton *Molly Crayne Jeph Epstein *Charles Feigelson Sandor Fried *Rachel Friedman Solome Gardsbane Leonard Gennis *Dave Goldberg Bennie Goldstein Ethel Gorlin Blanche Gottlieb Bessie Green Daniel Green Georgia Griffith Sheina Grusin Max Hasson Meyer Heiman Stanley Hellman George Hiller Mary Jacobs Sarah Jacobson *Herman Jaffe *William Kanter *Esther Kimerling I. Levine Joseph Mazer

\*Rose Leah Mazer  
 \*Walter Morse  
 Anna Odrezin  
 \*Sylvia Olim  
 Pearl Perling  
 \*Josephine Regal  
 Bertha "Fritzi" Rosenberg  
 \*Annie Rotenstreich  
 \*J. B. Royal  
 Esther Rubenstein  
 \*Jennie Rubin  
 Selma Sakoloff  
 Frieda Schnier  
 \*Chana Schniper  
 Marjorie Shafferman  
 \*Wilyum Sher  
 \*Meyer Shiland  
 Enid Silverstein  
 \*Blair Simon  
 \*Fanny Sokol  
 Paul Steinlauf  
 Sam Tenenbaum  
 \*Yehuda Wertheimer  
 \*Helen Wilder  
 Anne Wildstein  
 \*Abraham Yanuck

Shabbat Pesach  
 March 29-30

Ida Abroms  
 \*Sylvia Back  
 Ann Banks  
 Marilyn Bearman Bell  
 Harmon R. Berger  
 Steve Browdy  
 Alfred Buchalter  
 Conrad David Cohen  
 Pearl Cohen  
 \*Sam Cohen  
 Sylvia Cohen  
 \*Marilyn Crayne  
 \*Grace "Tootsie" Eiman  
 \*Harry Evans  
 \*Morris Fisher  
 \*Eric Fuld  
 \*Margot Fuld  
 Rae Garfield  
 Sarah Gettinger  
 \*Myron Ginsberg  
 \*Bernard Gottlieb  
 Ester Gutman  
 \*Rose Helman  
 \*Max Hoffman  
 \*Philip Kadis  
 Rose Kaufman

Sam Klotzman  
 Edith Kreisman  
 Norman Kurman  
 Jack Lande  
 Richard Levy  
 Blanch Lipman  
 \*Abraham Lipsitz  
 \*Folly Marcus  
 Philamae Mendelsohn  
 \*Benjamin Mesch  
 Boris Mintsin  
 Ruth Mirelman  
 Sadie Muldawer  
 Andronit Peremitin  
 \*Libby Reznik  
 \*Marvin Rich  
 Alex Rittenbaum  
 Edith Robinowich  
 \*Moses Robins  
 \*Robert Rosenbluth  
 Rosalind Rothman  
 Ben Royal  
 \*Sam Rubenstein  
 Marie Scheuer  
 Bette Shapiro  
 Fannie Siegel  
 Jack Silverman  
 Elsie Siskin  
 Morris Staff  
 Harold Stern  
 Cecile Sundock  
 \*Peter Tichansky  
 \*Isaac Torme  
 \*Henrietta Wolf  
 \*Minnie Zakuto  
 Esther Zell  
 \*Philip Ziff

\*Denotes a  
 perpetual  
 memorial plaque  
 in the Sanctuary  
 given by family  
 members.



## Community Announcements

**“Unto Each Person There is a Name.”** In conjunction with Yom Hashoa, Holocaust Remembrance Day, The Birmingham Holocaust Education Center, (BHEC) is enlisting the help of community faith institutions and civic organizations to participate as part of a **“simultaneous” name reading of 5,000 names of those who were murdered in the Holocaust.** In addition, the BHEC is asking those who lost members of their family to the Holocaust to submit their names for inclusion in the public recitation effort this year and for years to come. Each participating entity will receive a list of names to recite at their own program or worship service during the week of April 7-14. The BHEC will provide ideas and resources to make the recitation project more meaningful, as well as a valuable educational experience, for the organization. To submit names for inclusion, or for more information, contact the BHEC office at [information@bhamholocausteducation.org](mailto:information@bhamholocausteducation.org) or 795.4176.

**Birmingham’s Yom Hashoa commemoration will be Sunday, April 7th at 2:30 pm at the LJCC. Michael Stolowitzky will be the guest speaker. Michael’s story of survival is told in Ram Oren’s book, Gertruda’s Oath.** The program is co-sponsored by BHEC, LJCC and JCRC.

LJCC Joy Club: Join the Joy Club every Tuesday for a delicious kosher lunch and program at 12:15 pm. For more information, contact Mindy Cohen at 879.0411.

Visit Israel This Summer with Rabbi Brian Glusman: The Marcus Jewish Community Center of Atlanta and Congregation Beth Shalom are co-sponsoring a Multi-Generational Family Trip to Israel next summer. This wonderful tour is scheduled to leave Atlanta on June 11, 2013 and return on June 24. The trip is open to all members of the Temple Beth-El community. Rabbi Glusman and Rabbi Mark Zimmerman will serve as trip leaders. For additional information, please contact Rabbi Glusman, 678-812-4161 or send an email to [brian.glusman@atlantajcc.org](mailto:brian.glusman@atlantajcc.org).

Save the date for Theatre LJCC Big Band Swing Event, Saturday May 4th at 8:00pm. The evening will include The Original Sultans of Swing, Glenn Miller Tribute Band with a vocalist, and a night of dancing and fun. More details to follow soon!

LJCC Camp FAIR! Feb 24, 1-3pm. Drop by and see what the J offers for all 12 weeks of summer! It's is a great time for parents learn about our specialty camps, ask questions and get a head start on planning the summer. For additional information, please contact Betty Habshey: [bhabshey@bhamjcc.org](mailto:bhabshey@bhamjcc.org).

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Friday, March 29th  
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See page 14 for more details!

SAVE THE DATE  
An Earth Day Community Conversation



**What's On Your Plate?** With Maureen Holt  
of Little Savannah Restaurant  
Shabbat Service, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Learn about the slow foods movement, eating local, and keeping quality foods on your plate from Maureen Holt, well-known restaurateur in Birmingham. Enjoy a light Kiddush Lunch with recipes from Little Savannah.

Community Conversations are Shabbat presentations on topics of local or national interest. To be a co-sponsor of this Earth Day Community Conversation, supporting the Kiddush Lunch and a contribution to Alabama Possible-The Alabama Poverty Project, please contact Bob Greenberg at [bgreenberg@templebeth-el.net](mailto:bgreenberg@templebeth-el.net) or Joyce Spielberger at [jtspiel@gmail.com](mailto:jtspiel@gmail.com) by Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>.