

TEMPLE BETH O'R/BETH TORAH

BETH REPORTER

TAMMUZ - AV - ELLUL 5775
JULY-AUGUST 2015

TISHA B'AV SERVICES



Saturday, July 25 in Clark
9:15 pm - Maariv followed by
reading of Lamentations

Sunday, July 26 in Clark
9:00 am - Morning Service

To participate in the reading of the Book
of Eicha (Lamentations),
contact Fern Cammy
(732-549-2652).

Men's Club Shabbat

Saturday, August 15, 8 pm
A Festive Kiddush will follow
services.

Sisterhood Shabbat

Friday, July 17, 8 pm
A Festive Oneg Shabbat will
follow services.

All are encouraged to
participate. Anyone interested
in taking a part, in Hebrew or
English, contact
Fern Cammy 732-549-2652.

ISRAELI DANCE for beginners on Tuesday Nights

True beginners at 7 pm, advanced beginners /intermediate 7:45 pm
\$10.00 per class/ \$45 prepaid for 5 classes. **Proceeds to TBO/BT.**

Israeli Dance will be going to a summer schedule.

New dancers should call or email Elyse (732-396-8299 or
dance.shop.sleep@gmail.com) for dates and times of classes.



TBO/BT CHOIR

Join us!!!

**As we prepare for the
High Holidays**

Contact Cantor Steven Stern.

PLEASE NOTE:

There will not be a separate bulletin
for August.

The next issue of the
BETH REPORTER will be for
September and will include the
High Holiday booklet.

July *Happy Anniversary!*

*David & Bonnie Altman
Mark & Betty Needleman
Alan & Meryl Rubin
Lenard & Iris Weiner*

August *Happy Anniversary!*

*Martin & Elianna Goldman
Kenneth & Leah Davidson
Michael & Diane Goldstein
Mitchell & Barbara James
Howard & Judi Kronick
Edward & Mindy Leibowitz
Seymour & Mollie Serell
Nikolai & Inessa Vinokurov*

YIZKOR BOOK

Remember to email the temple if you would like your loved ones to be listed in our Yizkor Book.

Men's Club Game Nights
Thursdays, July 23
August 27

July *Happy Birthday!*

Jacob Altholz	Harriet Rothschild
Jeffrey Berman	Michael Saks
Ida Breitbart	Esther Schlesinger
Susan Coen	Aaron Silbert
Arthur Freedman	Daniel Silbert
Debbie Freedman	Dennis Turner
Joyce Genser	Gloria Schragger
Steven Hurok	Carol Tendler

August *Happy Birthday!*

Michael Baremboym	Ian Langer
Barbara Barr	Robert Lapidus
Leah Barr	Verna Lemberg
William Bess	Larry Marcus
Fay Fink	Chris Pandolfo
Alan Genser	Leonard Posnock
Harvey Goldberg	Thelma Purdy
Judith Gottlieb	Michael Roth
Jayne Heidelberger	Alan Rubin
Judith Hurok	Eric Sion
Paul Hymanson	Michelle Tager
Nancy Kelner	Judy Turner

**Remember to buy
ShopRite and A&P Gift
Cards at the temple office!**

What's Up for Shabbat in July & August?

Dress casual for our summer services.

Friday, July 17 - Sisterhood members will lead Friday Night Service

Saturday, July 25 - Simcha Shabbat. We will celebrate all birthdays and anniversaries in the month of July.

THE TBO/BT FAMILY EXTENDS MAZEL TOV TO:

Sebley & Bill Hausler on the High School graduation of their grandson Nolan

Evie Shulman on the engagement of her son
Michael to Michelle Solomon

Elaine & Bob Kolker on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Donovan

Mindy & Ed Leibowitz on the engagement of their son
Scott to Lauren Levine

Florence & Jeff Berman on the engagement of their son
Joel to Jackie Markowitz

Karen & Ian Langer on the high school graduation of their son Steven

Sebley Hausler on being honored for 25 years of service at JCC

Lauren Barr on joining the JCC Board

Iris Weiner on being named Minyanaire of the Year

THE TBO/BT FAMILY EXTENDS CONDOLENCES TO:

Helene Davis on the passing of her mother Bertha Shoten
Family of Ruth Gold



JUDAICA GIFT SHOP NEWS

Here's an idea for an unusual hostess gift – a book! We have a nice selection of books for adults in the gift shop. Here are some of the titles: The Jewish Book of Why; The Jews in America; Rashi's Daughters (Vols. 1-3); The Secret War Against the Jews; Yiddish-English dictionary; A Time to Mourn, a Time to Comfort; and two baby record books. Remember, we have so many items, they don't all fit in the case. If you don't see what you want, ask me! Nancy Kelner - nkelner@aol.com or 908-272-9072.

THE MORNING MINYAN

**In July will be held in Cranford
In August - to be announced**

Monday & Thursday 6:50 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday 7:00 am,
Sunday - 9:00 am in Clark
Evening Services are held every day at
7:30 pm in Cranford.

Got a Simcha?

**Birthday? Anniversary?
Graduation?**

New grandchild?

Host a Kiddush at TBO/BT

**Sponsor a simple Kiddush for
\$136 or make a donation of \$18
or more. Contact Julia at
732-381-8403 x11.**

Iris Weiner's Minyanaire of the Year Remarks

Most things in Jewish culture and in life can be traced to a single phrase, L'Dor V'Dor, from generation to generation. Although we attend minyan to fulfill the recitation of Shacharit, we also attend to remember our forebears, and the lasting impressions they left upon our lives, and those around us.

Growing up I never attended a minyan. The first time I attended a minyan was when I was entering my senior year in high school and I traveled to Israel with USY for a summer tour. While in Israel my father was quite ill and passed away about six weeks after my return home. Keeping up with traditions, my mom, my brother Robert and I attended morning minyan every day for eleven months. By this time I was knowledgeable of what went on. Because 1975 was before the egalitarian movement, we had to wait for 10 men to come even though my mom and I were attending. I would grow impatient, since I had to be at school by 8:00.

It was now 38 years since my first minyan and it was time to attend again. My mom became ill and passed away at the age of 94. I am keeping up with tradition and started to attend minyan every morning.

The first day I attended minyan I was quite nervous. I entered the chapel and looked around not knowing anyone who was there. A gentleman came over to me and introduced himself: "Hello, my name is Art. It is a pleasure to meet you." This greeting broke the ice. His wife Patty came over and also introduced herself. I told them that my mom had just passed away and I would be joining them in the morning. Because I was within my 30 days of mourning, Patty had me reading the psalm of the day, every day. This also made me feel a bit more comfortable.

I took a seat in the corner and davened with the others. I saw a man, Lenny, walk in and look at me, not knowing why. He reached for his tallis and tefillin near my seat and sat down. At the end of the service I found out that I was sitting in Lenny's seat. I did not realize that everyone had a favorite seat and I had his. After that I found my own favorite seat a few rows from the end.

Patty taught us a d'var Torah every day. We studied the who, what, where, when and why of different prayers, Torah, holidays and tallit. It was short and enjoyable. We were all allowed to ask questions and comment after she was done. This is very different from when I grew up when we sat in the sanctuary on Shabbat, not saying a word, and listening to our rabbi.

Since minyan does not have a dress code and it was more important to be there than be *farputzed*, I would roll out of bed, put on my jeans and jump into the car. On a slightly warm day in March, brothers Glen and Barry came into minyan and everyone was looking at Glen. He was wearing a

pair of knee length shorts and a shirt that did not match. He looked like he just came from basketball practice. We all laughed to ourselves and looked at Barry with a question on our faces, "Where did he get those clothes?" Barry said, "I am not responsible for his attire. He dressed himself."

Attending morning minyan as a regular is like having a second family. Everyone knows each other and is always glad to see you every morning. If you missed minyan, Howie had everyone's cell phone number and gave you a wake-up call to make sure you were OK.

A few months after I started attending, my mother-in-law passed away, so now Lenny and Bernie, my father-in-law, joined me. Lenny also realized that minyan was more than just davening. It was being with fellow congregants, having an enjoyable breakfast and discussing the local headlines. Even though we have both completed our 11 months of Kaddish, we still attend Sunday minyan.

I would like to thank the Men's Club for honoring me with the "Minyanaire of the Year Award". I am lucky to have Lenny and Bernie here to see me receive this honor. Joey and Stephanie could not be here since Joe is now a resident of North Carolina and Stephanie is on Birthright. There are three other people missing, my mom & dad, who I know at this time are k'velling, and my mother-in-law. All three of them are here in spirit.

School Days

We ended our 2014-2015 school year on Sunday, May 17th with all three classes, Hebrew School, Yaldeinu and K'Ton, coming together in the sanctuary for a closing celebration. They were joined by their parents, younger siblings, our Education Committee and other members of the congregation and their teachers.

The older class presented essays they wrote about their feelings about attending Hebrew School. They were insightful and wonderful and provided a "kvelling" moment for all in attendance.

Each group was presented with an age appropriate gift as well as certificates for a year well done. The Cantor, as always, said all the right things to our students in his own warm and caring way!! The parents of each group also expressed their appreciation to the teachers.

We ended the morning with the students joining the Cantor and his guitar and serenading us with their own original song about what Beth O'r/BethTorah means to them!!!

Religious School Committee

TBO-BT Men's Club Activities

The Special Adult Program for 2014 -15 closed on June 19th and will resume in September. We thank Cantor Stern for obtaining and managing the grant. He also organized the Hanukkah Party and Model Seder. Thank you to Dennis Berry for making the reminder calls to ARC. Thank you to Fern Cammy for sitting with the special adults during service when Mike Miller was occupied. Thank you to the members of the congregation that help serve the special adults during the Onegs and Kiddushes.

The Men's Club honored Iris Weiner as the 2015 Sidney Goldstein-Aaron Margolin Minyanaire of the Year at the Men's Club Breakfast on June 2014. Thirty plus people attended the event. Michael Goldstein and Mike Miller organized the event and arranged for the food. Thank you to Sebley Hausler who organized the ladies to bring out and set up the food during minyan. Men's Club Game Night will continue during July and August. The Men's Club welcomes new program ideas for 2015-16 and men to help with the activities. Contact Mike Miller (mwmillerchem_102@aol.com). The Men's Club will meet in August and skip July.

Have a safe and healthy summer.

SHOMREI HA'ARETZ/ STEWARDS OF THE LAND

Protect vs Use: Jewish Footprints on the Land

G-d told Adam in the garden to guard the world he was being given. "If you destroy this world," he was told, "there is no one to come and set it right after you." (*Kohelet Rabbah* 7:28) This mitzvah should be the call that TBOBT should not ignore. Every Torah parsha has an environmental message.

(www.CanfeiNesharim.org)

The earth's climate and ecology is changing and human activities are a major contribution. During the summer months consider your activities and how you can reduce your impact on our environment and public health with respect to consumption of energy, water, pesticides and chemical fertilizers. Remember to recycle and reuse.

SHABBAT UNDER THE STARS!



WELCOME SHABBAT

In Rahway River Park

Friday, July 31

Meet at 6:30 pm in the park.
Details to follow.

List of TBO/BT Funds for Donations

Cantor's Discretionary Fund –

is a vehicle by which the Cantor assists individuals and organizations that come to his personal attention in need of additional funds for emergencies, on-going activities or special projects in the US, Israel or anywhere in the world.

Jewish National Fund Trees – certificates can be purchased for all occasions in denominations of \$18. Please contact the temple office, 732-381-8403.

Oneg Shabbat/Kiddush Fund – used for a nosh after Shabbat services. To sponsor an entire Oneg, Kiddush, or Seuda, please contact the temple office, 732-381-8403.

Minyan Breakfast Fund – provides breakfast for the Morning Minyan.

Ritual Fund – is used to purchase religious supplies.

Yahrzeit Fund – It is a tradition to make a donation in memory of deceased loved ones. This fund is used to support all aspects of the synagogue.

Sol Sern Memorial Lecture Fund – is used to provide speakers and refreshments for our annual lecture in memory of Sol Sern.

General Fund – supports all aspects of Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah.

Bikur Cholim and Chesed Fund –

is used on behalf of those who are ill or in need of mitzvot of loving kindness.

Harold & Doris Presser Memorial Fund – has been established to assist in the maintenance of the temple facilities and the repair of ritual items.

Yahrzeit Plaques – Honor your departed loved ones with a permanent yahrzeit memorial plaque in our sanctuary. A light will be lit next to the plaque every year during the week of the Yahrzeit. Cost is \$300.

- Information needed: English & Hebrew names, including the father's and/or mother's Hebrew name, and secular & Hebrew dates of passing.

Sanctuary Seat & Pew

Dedication – This project honors or memorializes a dear one with a special plaque mounted on the back of a sanctuary seat. Each plaque costs \$180. Dedication of an entire pew (row) includes a larger plaque inscribed with the family name mounted at the end of the row and two individual seat plaques in that row. The cost of an entire pew dedication is \$1800.

Simcha Tree – Honor your family by dedicating a Leaf (\$180), Rock, or Trunk Letter, on our "Simcha" Tree of Life, for any and all occasions – Births, Weddings, Special Anniversaries or Birthdays, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, or other special honors or events.

Leaves: \$180 Rocks: \$1000 Trunk Letters: \$1800

Religious School Fund – supports our Hebrew School & K'Ton program.

GOLDEN BOOKS

Mazel Tov

To: Joel Berman on his engagement

From: Florence & Jeff Berman, Joleen & Bob Fridson,

To: Iris Weiner on being named
Minyanaire of the Year

From: Judy & Steve Hurok, Joleen & Bob Fridson, Jayne & John

Heidelberg, Diane & Michael Goldstein, Sebley & Bill Hausler, Helene & Al Davis, Gloria Sern

To: Evie Shulman on the engagement of her son Michael

From: Gitta Harel, Joleen & Bob Fridson, Audrey & Howie Silverman, Diane & Michael Goldstein, Allan & Rayna Warner, Janie & Jonathan Phillips, Claudia & Andrew Dorsch

To: Elaine & Bob Kolker on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson

From: Gitta Harel, Joleen & Bob Fridson, Diane & Michael Goldstein, Evie Shulman, Janie & Jonathan Phillips

To: Mindy & Ed Leibowitz on the engagement of their son Scott

From: Joleen & Bob Fridson, Audrey & Howie Silverman, Diane & Michael Goldstein, Janie & Jonathan Phillips, Claudia & Andrew Dorsch

To: Alan Rubin on the engagement of his grandson Scott

From: Diane & Michael Goldstein, Janie & Jonathan Phillips

To: Karen & Ian Langer on the graduation of their son Steven

From: Joleen & Bob Fridson, Diane & Michael Goldstein, Claudia & Andrew Dorsch

To: Lorraine & Milton Loshin on their 66th anniversary

From: Norma & Jack Weinshanker

Speedy Recovery

To: Reed Altholz

From: Judy & Steve Hurok, Joleen & Bob Fridson, Jayne & John

Heidelberg, Diane & Michael Goldstein, Sebley & Bill Hausler, Helene & Al Davis, Betty & Mark Needleman

To: Helene Davis on the passing of her mother Bertha Shoten

From: Joleen & Bob Fridson, Claudia & Andrew Dorsch, Gloria Sern, Janice & Herb Hymanson

WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS MADE TO TBO/BT DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE:

GENERAL FUND :

Arleen & Mel Duchin in honor of Norma & Jack Weinshanker on their anniversary
Myrna & Arnold Young in honor of Rayna Warner for her many kindnesses to them
Tom & Malvina Kohn in memory of Helene's mother Bertha Shoten

KIDDUSH FUND :

Lillian Makow
Ruth Dengrove

HAROLD & DORIS PRESSOR MEMORIAL FUND :

Laurie Rubin and Mindy & Ed Leibowitz in honor of Florence Bernstein on her birthday

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Thank you - תודה רבה

I thank you, my temple family, for
your warm cards and wishes on my
birthday.

Art Purdy



PLEASE SUPPORT OUR FALL FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

Clean out your closets! Please be selective when donating.

All items must be in good condition.

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TO MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS!

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Rayna Warner (908)486-6102.

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