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7 Elul

6:00 p.m. Pre-Neg

6:30 p.m. Shabbat Services

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2022

9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Services

Parashat Shoftim

Deuteronomy 16:18 – 21:9 Haftarah: Isaiah 51:12 – 52:12

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2022

14 Elul

6:00 p.m. Pre-Neg

6:30 p.m. Shabbat Services

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2022

9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Services

10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Rylie Vento

Parashat Ki Teitzei

Deuteronomy 21:10 – 25:19

Haftarah: Isaiah 54:1 – 10

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2022

21 Elul

6:00 p.m. Pre-Neg

6:30 p.m. Shabbat Services

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Services

10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Tova Katz

8:00 p.m. S'lichot Service

Parashat Ki Tavo

Deuteronomy 26:1 – 29:8 Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1 – 22

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2022

28 Elul

6:00 p.m. Pre-Neg

6:30 p.m. Shabbat Services

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Services

Parashat Nitzavim

Deuteronomy 29:9 – 30:20 Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10 – 63:9

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

29 Elul Erev Rosh HaShanah

8:00 p.m. Erev Rosh HaShanah Service

Sanctuary

8:00 p.m. Miami Jews After the

Brisket - Chapel

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022

1 Tishrei Rosh HaShanah First Day

8:30 a.m. Early Service 8:30 a.m. Kids K'hilah 11:30 a.m. Late Service 4:30 p.m. Tashlich Service at

Coral Reef Park

Torah Portion

Holidays Genesis 22:1 – 19 Haftarah: I Samuel 1:1 – 2:10;

Jeremiah 31:2 - 20

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2022

2 Tishrei Rosh HaShanah 2nd Day 9:30 a.m. 2nd Day Rosh HaShanah

Service

10:00 a.m. Tot Rosh HaShanah Program

- Extended Social Hall

12:00 p.m. 2nd Day Rosh HaShanah

Luncheon -- Chapel

Torah Portion

Holidays Genesis 1:1 – 2:3 Haftarah: Jeremiah 31:2 – 20

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

6 Tishrei

6:00 p.m. Pre-Neg

6:30 p.m. Shabbat Services

Sponsor a pre-neg with us to honor someone who is celebrating a birthday, an anniversary...or any special occasion.

For more information call Rita Diaz at 786.364.9434.

HIGH HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

HIGH HOLY DAYS 5783 THEME Home for the High Holy Days

All services will be held in the Sanctuary unless otherwise noted.

Rosh HaShanah

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:00 pm

Erev Rosh HaShanah Service

8:00 pm

Miami Jews After the Brisket (ages 22-39) CHAPEL, LEWIS FAMILY RELIGIOUS LIFE COMPLEX

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

8:15 am

Kids K'hilah THE KRYS FAMILY ATRIUM, RAMBAM DAY SCHOOL

8:30 am

Early Service*

11:30 am

Late Service*

2:45 pm

Family Service

4:30 pm

Tashlich

CORAL REEF PARK, 7895 SW 152ND ST.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

9:30 am

Rosh HaShanah Second Day Service with light lunch to follow

10:00 am

Tot Rosh HaShanah EXTENDED SOCIAL HALL, LEWIS FAMILY RELIGIOUS LIFE COMPLEX

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

10:00 am

It is a Jewish custom to visit the graves of your loved ones at this time of the year. Our clergy will lead a memorial service at local area cemeteries.

Please email Mindy Robbin at **mrobbin@tbam.org** if you would like to participate.

MT. NEBO KENDALL OLD MT. NEBO LAKESIDE MEMORIAL PARK

L'shanah Tovah!

Yom Kippur

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

Kol Nidre

6:00 pm

Abbreviated Kol Nidre Service

8:00 pm

Kol Nidre Service

8:00 pm

Miami Jews Kol Nidre Service (ages 22-39) CHAPEL, *LEWIS FAMILY*

RELIGIOUS LIFE COMPLEX

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

8:15 am

Kids K'hilah THE KRYS FAMILY ATRIUM, RAMBAM DAY SCHOOL

8:30 am

Early Service*

11:30 am

Late Service*

2:45 pm

Family Service

3:00 pm

Yom Kippur Study MEETING ROOM 3, LEWIS FAMILY RELIGIOUS LIFE COMPLEX

3:00 pm

Healing Circle Service CHAPEL, LEWIS FAMILY RELIGIOUS LIFE COMPLEX

4:30 pm

Mincha, Yizkor, and Neilah Services with Break-the-Fast to follow (light fare)

*Childcare for children ages 2–5 is available during those services marked accordingly.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR HIGH HOLY DAY OFFERINGS, INCLUDING DETAILS ABOUT OUR HIGH HOLY DAY EXPERIENCES FOR KIDS, PLEASE VISIT TBAM.ORG/HHD.

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FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH

Rabbi Jeremy Barras

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Beth Am for Everyone

Oftentimes we do not know there is a problem until something problematic occurs. This could be with our health, our relationships, or our professional careers. It could happen in any organization, and it usually does. Great organizations do their best to stay ahead of the game and try to anticipate needs before they become problematic, but even the best organizations cannot anticipate every curveball thrown at them. While none of us could have seen Covid coming the way it did, there are certain areas of any organization that require everyone's attention.

At Temple Beth Am, when a need arises, our community rises to the challenge. One area that needed more attention was our care and concern for those struggling with drug and alcohol addiction. Sensing this need, **Rabbi Jaime Aklepi** jumped full force into the issue. Over the last couple of years, she gathered information and consulted with experts, instituted a monthly support group, and created a Sober Seder that allowed those who avoid alcohol to enjoy a festive traditional Seder at the Temple. We are so proud of all Rabbi Aklepi's work in this area, and her recognition that not nearly enough was being done. Today TBAM is great resource and source of support for our members who are searching for spiritual and emotional help on their road to recovery.

We are taught in the Torah that when the Israelites left Egypt, they were attacked from the rear by the evil nation of Amalek. The old and the sick who were travelling at the end of the procession of the Jewish community were the most susceptible to attack from the enemy. This lesson for all time taught us the importance of protecting and caring for those in our community who need our support.

In the eight years that I have been at TBAM, I have seen our community constantly extend its hands to those in need. We have always responded warmly to anyone with a particular need. Our myriad *tikkun olam* projects help so many people in our community. However, lately, I have noticed that while we do our very best to accommodate and assist anyone with a disability, we have not done enough to help them acclimate into and participate in life at Beth Am.

Starting immediately, we are working to rectify this situation. Once our campus is completed, we will have variety of opportunities for anyone with a disability to get more involved. This is especially true for our youth. I am excited to announce that we will be offering opportunities for any youth with a disability to work in our new goodwill store, to serve as a basketball assistant in our basketball leagues and to work as High Holy Day interns during our holiest time of the year. Welcoming all youth into the fold at Beth Am must be a priority that sits at the very top of our agenda—and this includes ALL youth.

If you have suggestions for how we can continue to make TBAM more welcoming for all our members, please let me know. We are eager to improve, to welcome all our members, and to add to the warm and caring legacy that Beth Am has nurtured for decades.

L'shalom,

Rabbi Jeremy Barras

Lunch 'n Learn with Rabbi Barras at 12:00 p.m. in the Chapel September 13 Do High Holy Days Still Work?

RSVP to Mindy Robbin at 786.364.9446 or mrobbin@tbam,org; No charge; no food will be served but you are welcome to bring your own lunch.



CLERGY CORNER Rabbi Jaime Aklepi jaklepi@tbam.org

L'Shanah Tova u'tikateivu. May you be inscribed for a good year! We begin our celebration of the Yamim Nora'im – the Days of Awe with Erev Rosh HaShanah on Sunday, September 25. Rosh HaShanah is also known as Yom Hadin, the Day of Judgement. This is a time of self-examination as we reflect on past mistakes and seek ways to amend those whom we have hurt. We also take stock in our relationship with God and our obligations as Jews.

In the famous parable shared by S.Y. Agnon in his book, *Days* of *Awe*, the idea is presented that although our repentance, Teshuva, requires our individual attention, it becomes tangible in a community.

"A man had been wandering about in a forest for several days, not knowing which was the right way out. Suddenly he saw a person approaching him. His heart was filled with joy. 'Now I shall certainly find out which is the right way,' he thought to himself. When they neared one another, he asked them: 'Brother, tell me which is the right way. I have been wandering about in this forest for several days.' Said the other to him, 'Brother, I do not know the way out either. For I too have been wandering about here for many, many days. But this I can tell you: do not take the way I have been taking, for that will lead you astray. And now let us look for a new way out together."

Attendance at temple during the High Holy Days is a way forward together. We will gather in person for the first time in three years. That means that some of our young children who have never experienced Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Family Services at Temple Beth Am will join us for the first time. Older children may not have participated in Kids K'hilah, and now they have a chance to join their friends for a meaningful Rosh HaShanah morning. And of course, we welcome so many of our new members who joined us during the pandemic and have never attended High Holy Days with us. I especially want to encourage families with children/teens old enough to join them at services to attend together. Our Rambam Day School and our Religious School educate their students with Jewish values, history, the meaning of prayer and the doing of good deeds to give them the skills to live as Jews. Yet, every year when I ask children in Day School or Religious School, did they go to Temple over the holiday, way too many tell me no. Give your children the benefit of the doubt; they can pray, they can feel the holiness of the

holiday, and many can sit beside you.

What will it feel like to be together in our sanctuary these High Holy Days? It will feel like a community accompanying each other out of the "lonely forest" of the last few years to a safe, spiritual home of prayer, peace and joy.

Shanah Tova u'metuka, Wishing everyone a happy and sweet New Year.

Rabbi Jaime Aklepi

WILL YOU BE OUT OF TOWN FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS?

Do you plan to be away for Rosh HaShanah and/or Yom Kippur and would like to worship at another temple? Temple Beth Am enjoys "reciprocity" with hundreds of temples nationwide.

Please contact Mindy Robbin at 786.364.9446 or mrobbin@tbam.org as soon as possible. She will be happy to help you secure seats.

Be advised there are some temples that "close out" their reciprocity tickets early.

Additionally, if you have someone visiting you for the holiday, who is a member in good standing at another temple, please tell Mindy, as well, so we may accommodate them.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

David Young dyoung@tbam.org

The High Holy Days are a time to contemplate the positives and negatives of the past year. We use this time to recommit our spiritual selves and make promises to improve our lives and the lives of our loved ones in the year ahead.

Former President Obama reflected about our High Holy Days, "Jewish tradition teaches us that for the next ten days, the Book of Life is open. As millions of Jews ask G-D to inscribe their names in that book, we recognize how much lies beyond our control, yet during these days of awe we recognize our tremendous power to make a difference in our lives and in our world."

I begin my new year as Temple President thinking about the congregation. Beth Am is thriving right now. New school – done. New Senior Cantor – done. New Cultural Arts center – almost done. We have revolutionized our campus. But if we want to continue to light a path towards the future, we need your involvement to make sure Beth Am continues to be relevant.

We often live for the moment. But moments pass. In the Broadway show Avenue Q, they devote a whole song to "It's only for now." As wonderful as it is, I don't want Beth Am to be only for now. I want Beth Am to endure. Let's examine how we stay relevant.

We come from a place of great strengths. Our history is full of commitment and engagement. We have been a beacon of Judaism in South Dade for over 67 years. We built the largest reform congregation in the southern United States. We produced leaders in the community and engendered both hope and respect.

We have an excellent clergy, an outstanding Day School, a committed Religious School, and a state-of-the-art school building. We broke ground on a magnificent new structure we are calling "The Hub" for performing arts, cultural arts, and basketball. Our membership, school enrollment, and summer camp enrollment are amazing.

So how do we keep the momentum into the future? By keeping our congregants engaged. We must continue our commitment to excellence while creating even newer and even more meaningful ways to grow our spiritual lives. Our congregants are the key—keeping our Beth Am family engaged.

How many of you have heard our Senior Cantor, **Tifani Coyot**, chant in person? By coming back to shul for the High Holy Days, you will be in for an extraordinary experience listening and praying with our new Cantor.

Her voice and her spirit will guide you through the holidays. And our Rabbis' prayers and sermons will fill your soul - a perfect way to begin the New Year. Being all together as a community, listening and learning as a community will fill us with hope for our future.

Beth Am motivates us all to make the world a better place, and we really do make people's lives better. Have you given your time or even a little of your sweat to our Tikkun Olam Committee during a community project—especially on Mitzvah Day? Have you helped an underprivileged young person attend Camp Jenny? Or fed the poor? Or help clothe our adoptive families from Afghanistan? Or helped children escape from the war front in Ukraine? Beth Am prides itself by doing mitzvot every single day.

And we also help each other. Our clergy and staff are here for you—in good times and in bad. After two years of lock down, we are all craving community. Attending a Shabbat service helps fill that need. When you are commemorating a yahrzeit, community plays an important role in the healing process. We all stand together to say Kaddish—that is powerful.

I always attended a Shabbat service when something good happened to me or my family. Celebrating a happy occasion with our Beth Am family is special. You should try it!

I would encourage you to take advantage of the many events we have on campus. Attend a play (this year's Spelling Bee was fabulous), listen and participate at the various lectures sponsored by Beth Am, play bridge, or attend a community meeting. I know it sounds cliché, but we really do have something for everyone.

In April we will have the grand opening of "The Hub." The Hub is our cultural arts center and gym. But it will be so much more than that. It will be a place where our community gathers to talk, play, and simply be together.

I formed a committee to develop a plan to make The Hub the premier cultural center in the South Florida Jewish world.

This is where you come in.

What type of programming would you like to see? Music? Movies? Book discussions? Cooking classes? More Jewish events? More secular events? What would motivate you to come out on a Friday night for services and then stay for a picnic dinner on the quad?

Our vision is for The Hub to represent our entire community, where everyone is welcome. Afterall, that is the Jewish way.

The survival of Judaism depends on us. If Beth Am is to continue to thrive, we must continue to be relevant into the future. Creating that future is up to you.

So please, let me hear from you. DYoung@tbam.com. Let's invent a future for all of us.

It's an honor being your President. And it's an honor being part of such an outstanding Jewish community.

L'ShanaTova Um'tukah and Gamar Chatima Tova,

David Young

MAZEL TOV TO ...

Jeff and **Liliana Agron** on the birth of granddaughter, Maya Martine Gugel.

Vivian and **Steve Brownstein** on the birth of grandson, Maxwell Simon Brownstein.

Dr. Taryn and **Jacob Dubin** on Taryn's new job at Sunset Pediatrics.

Susan and **Larry Golinsky** on the marriage of their daughter Jennifer to Hal Baseman. Mazel Tov to grandmother **Tema Burk** and aunt **Myrna Golinsky**, as well.

Dolly Harris on the birth of great grandson Theodore Ernest Alvino.

David and **Karen Israel** on the birth of daughter, **Sophie Israel**. Mazel Tov to grandparents **Andrea** and **Danny Shosfy**, great grandmother **Dolly Harris** and baby's brother, **Eli**, as well.

Dan and **Laura Koffsky** on the birth of granddaughter, Bailey Dylan Koffsky. Mazel Tov to great grandparents **Aaron** and **Dorothy Podhurst**, as well.



Friday, October 14, 2022

It is with great pleasure that we welcome each of our new families.

Celebrate together at a special service where a blessing will be offered in their honor.

5:30 p.m. Pre-neg in the sukkah hosted by Latin Connection Committee6:30 p.m. New Member Shabbat - Sanctuary7:45 p.m. Catered Sukkot dinner and entertainment

We will enjoy a wonderful evening filled with music, prayer and community.

Adults \$36 Children over 2 \$15
*New member families are complimentary for dinner, however, RSVP is a must.

For more information: Rita Diaz 786.364.9434

RSVP: www.tbam.org/sukkotdinner



MEMBERSHIP

Rita Diaz Membership Director rdiaz@tbam.org



Dear Temple Beth Am Family,

We hope you are enjoying the summer. We thank you for your ongoing support of Temple Beth Am and we invite you to join us again by renewing your membership. For more than 67 years—in good times and in challenging times—our members have been our greatest strength!

We are so happy to be together again at Friday night services, Torah Study and our Minyan Service on Saturday mornings. Our How 'Bout Shabbats for our young families have been wonderful and well-attended. We will continue to be together, socializing here with our friends, supporting each other and worshipping together for the High Holy Days. One of the most important things you can do right now to support Temple Beth Am is very simple: continue to be a part of our congregation.

Please consider your resources when making your membership commitment. Our doors are open to everyone, regardless of financial ability. Those of you that are able to participate within our five Committee of 100 levels help make it possible for families with financial challenges to always remain part of the temple. Our Fair Share program helps us meet our financial obligations while maintaining consistently superior services and programming. Please consider joining (or rejoining) one of our Committee of 100 levels. You may register online at tbam.org/renewal or simply return the tear-off portion of the membership renewal packet that you received in early May.

Please reach out to me if you have any concerns. As always, I will handle each conversation with care and confidentiality. You may reach me at 786.364.9434 or rdiaz@tbam.org.

With love and gratitude...

Membership Director

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We are back! - Live in Person

CHAVURAH - CONNECTION -

Party with your Chavurah, see old friends... and make some new ones! If you are not in a Chavurah, we will find one just for you.

Have a drink on us!

Saturday evening,

September 10th

at 6:30pm

- Bay 13 Brewery - 65 Alhambra Plaza, Coral Gables



Let us know if you can join us

Please RSVP at www.tbam.org/bay13

Invite your friends. It's party time! Information, call Rita at (786) 364 9434



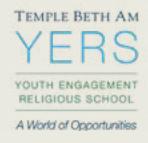


Tamara Donnenfeld
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Youth Engagement and Religious School offers teens dynamic and meaningful programming for every grade level. Teens can set themselves apart in the college application process while creating lasting bonds, advocating for important issues and traveling together.

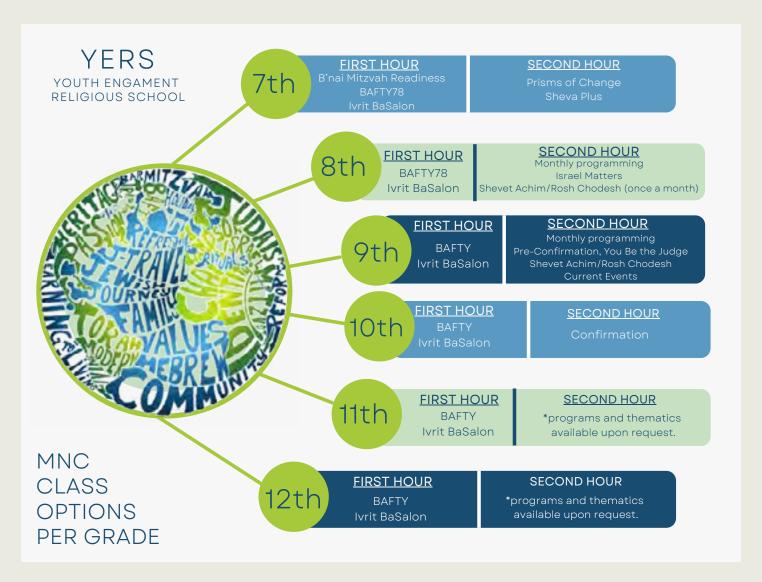
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Sumiko Zayon Youth Engagement Director szayon@tbam.org

Join us for Monday Night CHAI Orientation on September 19 to learn about the diverse selection of teen opportunities available. Classes begin October 3.



Monday Night CHAI is the best night of the week! Monday nights are for teens to see their Jewish friends, nurture their minds, and enjoy a yummy dinner together!



PROGRAMMING

Andrea LeVine Kay Program Director akay@tbam.org



Where can I find support for my recovery?



TEMPLE BETH AM'S

Recovery Through a Jewish Lens

If you are in recovery, a loved one of someone in recovery or interested in getting help for your addiction, join us at our monthly support group. Every month we explore topics to help strengthen our recovery with the insights and spiritual guidance of our Jewish heritage.

Our Second Sunday Serenity Jewish Recovery support group continues to meet throughout the year!

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. | The Power of a New Year

Open to the Community, confidentiality is observed. Temple Beth Am, 5950 N. Kendall Drive, Pinecrest, FL

For more information contact Rabbi Jaime Aklepi, Jaklepi@tbam.org





SUNDAY SALON



Sunday Salon is back IN PERSON!

Join us at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel for a bagel, a coffee and a schmooze.

CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY



Our library has been a proud and contributing member of the Association of Jewish Libraries, AJL, since its inception fifty-six years ago. The Jewish Librarians Association, founded in 1946, was composed of academic, archival, and research institutions; while The Jewish Library Association was created in 1962 to emphasize work in synagogue, school, and community center libraries. These two associations merged in 1966 and became the Association of Jewish Libraries, AJL. Beth Am's founding librarian, Margot S. Berman, was one of the creative leaders to establish this incredible organization. Each

year AJL members gather physically or virtually to learn from each other, network, and socialize. Although this year's conference was live in Philadelphia, I was unable to attend in person, but I was virtually connected in every way and I am delighted now to share much of that experience.

SEPTEMBER 11TH

Etta D. Gold, Congregational Librarian presents:

WHAT WE LEARNED AT THE AJL'S 57TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE THIS YEAR



Join us as we share some of the highlights of our conference, i.e. the book award announcements and meeting the authors, Judaica Reference and Bibliography awards, AJL Jewish Fiction award, and getting updates to all the favorite new Podcasts. We were able to meet contributors to the Jewish Book Carnival, a monthly compilation of Jewish literary links from across the blogosphere. And this year we had a special presentation of Ladino Culture from Yesterday to Today: A Musical Journey with Sarah Aroeste; you can learn more about Sarah Aroeste at SarahAroeste.com, and I will connect you to many more incredible searchable sites.

SEPTEMBER 18[™]

Paulette Bronstein, President of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Miami presents:

WHAT OUR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH CAN REVEAL



Since 1995 Paulette has been able to trace her paternal ancestry back to the 17th century. She attended her first IAJGS Conference (International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies) in 2010 in Los Angeles. Since then, she has used Jewishgen.org and Litvak SIG to trace her Jewish ancestors. She had success tracing her maternal grandfather's family, but her maternal grandmother's family remained a mystery until two months ago. Her grandmother died in 1935 (in Brooklyn) at the age of forty-four. Nikita, a 25-year-old Moscow researcher, contacted Paulette using Jewishgen.org's Family Finder on May 20, 2022. He found court documents in the

Moscow Police Archives accusing Lieb Gamus, Paulette's great grandfather, of being a horse thief and brothel owner! Join us for a presentation about finding a criminal in the family with the help of a Moscow native with access to court records in Russia.





DAY SCHOOL

Nora Anderson, M.S., M.Ed. Head of School nanderson@tbam.org

The High Holy Day season is approaching, and it is always a time of great excitement and anticipation. Our students enjoy learning about Rosh HaShanah and all of its components through activities, creative writing, music, and so many other creative ways. As we usher in Rosh HaShanah, we prepare for the holiday both physically and spiritually. We are reminded of our responsibilities to G-d, to our fellow human beings, and to ourselves, and we reflect on the many blessings that we have received. For example, one always-popular Rosh HaShanah tradition is dipping apples in honey at the start of the festive meal. This action is both a symbolic and tangible way to taste the sweetness that we pray for and work towards as we begin the new year. We have the opportunity to contemplate what is right and meaningful in our lives.

In our complex world, it can sometimes require a great deal of effort to recognize sweetness in moments that feel dark. Though experiencing the bitter is a part of life, we nevertheless teach our students to sift through the bitter and look for the authentic sweetness in our lives. As beloved television personality Fred Rogers famously said, in times of disaster, "Look for the helpers... you will always find people who are helping." We teach our students always to look forward and focus on the positive blessings that surround them. The sweetness is evident in our thriving students who continue to excel in their pursuits of knowledge and their constant displays of generosity and humanity. The sweetness is evident in our wonderful and caring faculty who are constantly reaching for new heights and challenges. We are so blessed to have these amazing professionals to support us and our children—professionals who have put our students first and taught us that

with change comes growth. Together with our temple, clergy, lay leadership, and wonderful families, Rambam is truly a world-class institution.

The Talmud teaches us the importance of unity in a community; that is, unity of goals, purpose, and values. This is a cornerstone of Rambam Day School. Despite the sometimes-bitter events in the world around us—when it was not so easy to taste the sweetness of our blessings—our community holds steadfast. By sticking together, we move forward into the new year with strength. As we enter the Jewish New Year, let us think of renewal, of new opportunities, and of repair—all commandments we are asked to follow during this time of year. We have the opportunity to renew and repair relationships with ourselves, with others, and with G-d. We can seek new opportunities to do good, to live life to the fullest, and to appreciate all we have.

I wish each and every one of you a happy and healthy New Year. May it be easy for us to taste and feel the sweetness in our lives, and may we share in many joyful occasions together. Let us use these moments as an inspiration to continuously look for opportunities to renew our world and ourselves, and do our best to make this a shana tova u'metukah—a good and sweet year for everyone.

Nora Anderson





7pm Dinner 8pm Havdalah and S'lichot Service Chapel

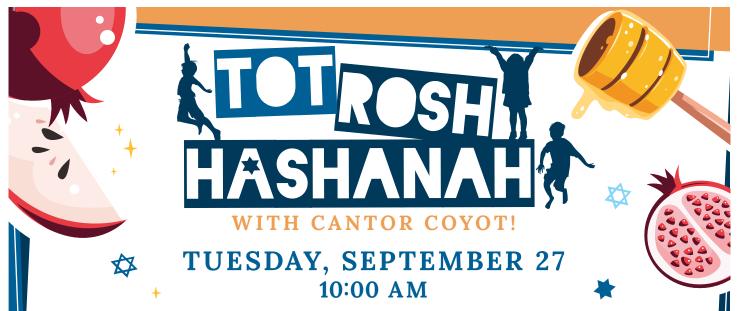


Throughout the month of Elul, we are asked to search our souls and reflect on the year in preparation for the repentance and renewal we seek over the High Holy Days, which formally begin with the S'lichot service.

Join us for an intimate, spiritual service featuring our High Holy Day band led by Senior Cantor Tifani Coyot and our entire clergy team. We encourage you to wear white to symbolize purity and rebirth, as is the tradition on S'lichot.

We invite you to join us for a festive meal before our service begins. Bring your favorite dessert to contribute to our potluck!

For more information, and to RSVP for dinner, please visit **tbam.org/slichot**.



- EXTENDED SOCIAL HALL -

If you like Tot Shabbat with Cantor Coyot, we're about to make it even sweeter with our first ever Tot Rosh HaShanah!

Join us for the second day of Rosh HaShanah to celebrate the Jewish New Year with Rosh HaShanah songs, arts and crafts, and a healthy snack. Connect with other families as we create early High Holy Day experiences for our littlest congregants!

This program is geared toward children ages 4 and under, but big brothers and sisters are welcome!



Head to **tbam.org/totshabbat** to stay informed about our Tot Shabbat dates for this year!

Save the Date! Brotherhood's Opening Event Thursday, October 20th, 7:00 pm



From Klezmer to Rock...
The Special Relationship
Between Jews and Violins

A musical presentation by Alexander Mikhaylovsky, violin, and Dr. Alan Mason, piano



"The Jew playing the violin could turn the listener's thoughts to magic"

All Men and Women of Temple Beth Am are welcome to attend this magical evening Watch for Details Coming Soon...

tbam.org/KlezmerToRock



Coming Soon from Brotherhood

Thursday, October 20, 2022 Brotherhood's Opening Event Sunday, November 6, 2022 Brotherhood Sponsors Sunday Salon

Thursday, November 17, 2022 Men's Thanksgiving Cooking Class

Sunday, November 20, 2022 Family Mini-Golf Outing

Sunday, December 11, 2022 Family Chanukah Dinner

Sunday, February 12, 2023 Men's Valentine Cooking Class

Sunday, March 26, 2023 Men's Passover Seder

Friday, May 5, 2023Shabbat Honoring Mothers

Watch your email for updates throughout the year



Greetings from Brotherhood of Temple Beth Am

I am truly honored and humbled to address you as the new President of Brotherhood of Temple Beth Am. We have an amazing Executive Management Team and industrious Brotherhood Board this year.



Brotherhood's plans for 2022–2023 include working with Tikkun Olam, YERS, Rambam Day School and the Temple's lifecycle and holiday programming.

Our focus this year is to partner with community organizations and non-profits to provide awareness, community service and fundraising, such as support for Ethiopian Jews, Everglades Men's Correctional Facility, other Brotherhoods regionally and in Israel, youth development and sporting activities.

Of course, we will socialize at fun events throughout the year — such as attending Miami Heat, Miami Dolphins and Florida Marlins games, men's cooking classes, Frisbee Golf and TBAM's annual Golf Tournament, plus impromptu Final Four, Super Bowl and college sporting events watch parties.

As the High Holy Days approach, we look forward to continuing to serve as ushers during services and provide assistance to our synagogue and its congregants. We welcome all Jewish men in our community to become members of Brotherhood. Go to **tbam.org/Brotherhood** to join us.

With warmest regards, **Jeffrey Rosenberg**, *President* Brotherhood of Temple Beth Am

MAZEL TOV B'NAI MITZVAH



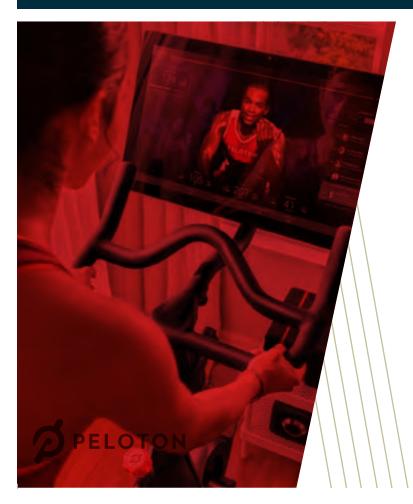
Rylie Vento September 10, 2022

Rylie is a graduate of Temple Beth Am Day School and is a rising 8th grader at Ransom Everglades Middle School. She enjoys playing volleyball, reading, going to concerts and traveling. Rylie is very caring, considerate and curious. Her parents **Erika** and **Mitch** and sisters **Emma** and **Addison** are extremely proud of her and are looking forward to celebrating this special occasion.



Tova Katz September 17, 2022

Tova is in 7th grade at Ransom Everglades. She is an exceptional student, a caring friend, and a loving big sister to her three younger siblings. Tova loves tennis, baking, and spending time with her friends, family, and dog, Louie. Tova's parents, **Katrin** and **Jeremy**, sister **Hannah**, and brothers **Jacob** and **Noah** are extremely proud of all of the hard work that Tova has put into preparing for her Bat Mitzvah and can't wait to celebrate with her on her special day.



ARE YOU A PELOTON OWNER OR USER OF THE PELOTON APP?

Join our

#TBAMPeloFam!

Follow us on Facebook where we will share milestones, recommend rides or classes that we love, ask questions, post funny memes, and support one another on our fitness journeys.

Be sure to add our hashtag on your Peloton profile so that we can ride live together!

TOGETHER WE GO FAR



We are thrilled to once again bring infant and early toddler programming back to campus! For the fall of 2022 we are offering the following classes:



Mommy and Me:

We invite children birth to 18 months along with a parent or caregiver to join us for a weekly hands-on learning experience that will integrate gross *motor* skills, sensory integration, music, play and more!

Classes are every Wednesday from 10:30-11:30am, beginning October 12.

The course will run for 10 weeks and is \$360.

Jam with Jamie:

Join us for a weekly interactive musical experience with classic children's songs, rock n' roll hits and pop favorites! Enjoy prop and instrument play, movement, story time, parachute and bubbles. Are you ready to JAM?! Say OH YEAH!

The 10 week session will begin October 10 and will run every Monday for 10 weeks. The class is open to children birth to three years old.

Two classes will be offered. One beginning at 9:30am and one at 10:30am. The cost is \$360 for the full session.

^{*}Please note that there will be no classes the week of November 21 as the school is closed for Thanksgiving recess. All classes will be on the second floor of Rambam Day School and strollers will remain parked on the first floor.

SAVE THE DATE

JOIN US AS WE OFFICIALLY WELCOME

Cantor Coyot

TO OUR TEMPLE BETH AM CLERGY TEAM



Installation of Senior Cantor Tifani Coyot FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2022 6:30 PM SERVICE

Dinner and Live Music to follow

www.tbam.org/installation

REWIND, REFLECT, RENEW

Elul 5782

Jewish tradition encourages us to engage in the hard work of introspection and growth a full month before the holidays begin.

Throughout this Hebrew month of Elul, our Temple Beth Am clergy invites you to join us for special Shabbat services designed to guide this work.

We will explore a new theme each week to help us prepare for the awesomeness of these holy days.

SEPTEMBER 2

T'kiah - Hear the Call

SEPTEMBER 9

T'shuvah - Renew & Return Home

SEPTEMBER 16

Kaper - Make Amends

SEPTEMBER 23

Shleimut - Reconcile

All of these services will build to the climax of Elul: our S'lichot service

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

This experimental and interactive service will include moving music and small group discussion as we explore the themes of **Cheshborn HaNefessh – Soul Accounting**.

For details on our S'lichot program, see page 16.



This Is Our Year!





G'MAR CHATIMAH TOVAH

Beyond the Curve began with a vision born nearly five years ago. Despite the pandemic, we held true to our mission, and together we will emerge healthier and stronger than ever. This year, 5783, will be the year we complete our new campus and join in celebration, as the future of TBAM comes clearly into focus."

SENIOR RABBI JEREMY BARRAS

Hub Timeline for Completion



OCTOBER 2022

All exterior glass and drywall installed.



DECEMBER 2022

Elevator installation.
Pool and Plaza
construction continues.



FEBRUARY 2023

Hub Building substantially completed.



LATE APRIL 2023

Grand Opening!

FOR INFORMATION AND TO BE PART OF THIS HISTORIC PROJECT

contact Ilana Gilat, igilat@tbam.org, 786.364.9429

TBAM.ORG/BEYONDTHECURVE



Sign up TODAY to secure your spot.

Don't be left out! **GOLF IS LIMITED TO** THE FIRST 144 PLAYERS.

LAST YEAR'S TOURNAMENT SOLD OUT QUICKLY! LAST YEAR'S TOURNAMENT

11:00 am Registration

12:00 pm Shotgun Start

5:30 pm Cocktails, Awards Dinner and Raffle Drawing

Four-person handicap scramble.

Individual golfer registration includes golf, lunch, food on the course, open bar, awards dinner, 2 mulligans and I ticket to the Putting Contest.

Amazing corporate sponsorships available!

AT DEERING BAY YACHT & COUNTRY CLUB

For more details, visit tbam.org/golf





— SOCIAL JUSTICE SPEAKER SERIES —

in partnership with National Council of Jewish Women and League of Women Voters of Miami-Dade County



Understanding the 2022 Ballot

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 7:00 PM

- Chapel -

Temple Beth Am, in partnership with National Council for Jewish Women, will co-host a speaker from the League of Women Voters who will once again help us navigate the coming election season and clarify each ballot initiative.

Educate yourself and make your vote count!



Action Center

RELIGIOUS ACTION CENTER FLORIDA (RAC-FL)

Update by Jeff Agron

A REMINDER: this is election year – midterms! The general election is November 8, where we will elect a Governor, US Senator, US Representatives, Florida legislators, and a host of local officials. While the Federal and State races may be the "sexy" ones, as the saying goes "all politics is local." Our school board, county commissioners, and municipal officials have the most direct and immediate impact on our day-to-day lives. As in 2020, we at Beth Am would like to be a 100% voting congregation, meaning that everyone eligible to vote does so.

You can register to vote, check your voter registration status and request mail-in ballots at registertovoteflorida.gov/ and www.miamidade.gov/global/elections/home.page. The last day to register to vote in the general election is October 11. Because of redistricting, many of us may be in new Florida State House, Florida State Senate or US House districts. You can check your district through this website www.miamidade.gov/global/elections/redistricting.page. The last day to request a Vote by Mail ballot for the general election is October 29th; however, you should not wait that late as the ballot may not reach you in time.

The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism (RAC) and RAC-FL are again embarking on The Reform Movement's non-partisan Every Voice, Every Vote campaign to protect, expand, and strengthen our democracy. The RAC will be offering various actions throughout the fall to help engage voters and drive turnout on election day. If you are interested in getting involved, please email Jeff Agron, jagron@tbam.org.

ANNUAL HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE

September 25 - October 5

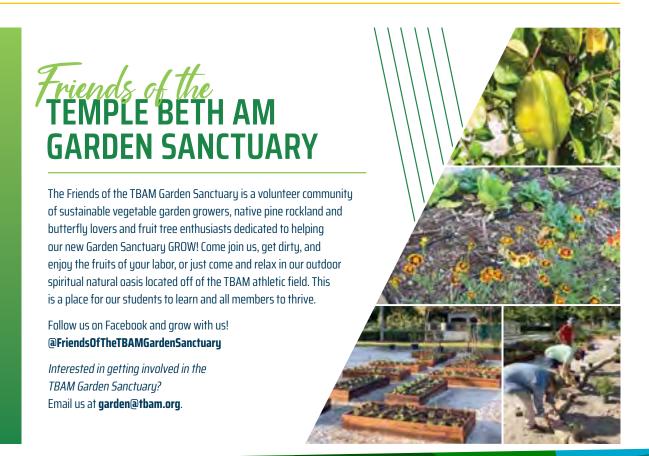
The Tikkun Olam Committee again will collect food staples for those in need and donate to the Jewish Community Services (JCS) Kosher Food Bank - the only food bank in Miami-Dade County to which those who observe kosher (kashrut) dietary laws can turn. JCS' Kosher Food Bank provides food to more than 400 families and nearly 100 Holocaust survivors. As you exit Rosh HaShanah Services, look for the empty Publix grocery bags. Please fill this, or any other shopping bag, with non-perishable food items, and bring to **Temple Beth Am** any time between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur. Thank you for your act of kindness. Please check our website for details at www.tbam.org/hhd.



BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE FOR KIDS IN FOSTER CARE

in partnership with Voices for Children Foundation

As you well know, we never stop working to make the world a better place, and this summer we helped more than 400 children in foster care get ready for school. Thank you to everyone who sponsored a bookbag, shopped for school supplies on Amazon, joined us for stuffing backpacks with school supplies (we stuffed 340 backpacks!), volunteered to distribute backpacks and helped foster kids shop for school clothes at the Old Navy Shopping Event. We are so proud to partner with Voices for Children, who works tirelessly to support the children in our community.





Dear Sisterhood Members and Friends,

We are rapidly approaching the High Holidays and there is so much to reflect on given all that has occurred for each of us and our families, community, country and world. I will not elaborate on any specific situation as each of us has different priorities. Suffice it to say, we are all grateful and horrified by everyday life as it unfolds before us.

Thank goodness we have each other and our circle of supporters to lean on and process the events of the day. I am also grateful for the many Sisterhood members, clergy and staff that are available to us. We are so fortunate to be surrounded by such giving and informed people within our own TBAM community. Sisterhood helps to connect us to each other and together to reach out to the greater world in a helpful and healing capacity.

I wish for all of you a Happy, Healthy New Year and an easy fast as we ask for forgiveness for our misdeeds and look toward a fulfilling new year.

Please remember to renew your Sisterhood membership at **tbam.org/joinsisterhood.**

This month, we are especially excited to share our Torah study/Challah cover making, details about our Opening Event, Book Club and Movie Club with you!

L' Shana Tova!

SUSAN LAMPEN, Sisterhood President

Writing Workshops - Forming for Fall 2022

Whether you wish to write memoir, poetry, reflections on life, thoughts about Judaism, or anything else - this writing group is for you. No expertise required, just the desire to put words

Casual, friendly, all women welcome!!

For more information and to be added to interest list, please contact Pamela Lear at lear4752@yahoo.com or 858-775-0409.

Sisterhood Book Club

Thursday, September 8th

7pm, Zoom

Join us as Susan Rosenthal leads our discussion of The Lincoln Highway: A Novel by Amor Towles.

RSVP for Zoom link at tbam.org/bookclub



Raffle Items Needed!

Sisterhood is once again participating in TBAM's 32nd Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, November 7th. We are **seeking** donation items including restaurant and store gift cards, tickets to sporting events, and more.

For more information, please contact Judy Cowan at gatormom120@aol.com.

Art and Torah

Tuesday, September 20th

7pm, Art Room at Rambam Day School

Join us as we create beautiful challah covers and prepare our souls for the New Year. Rabbi Jaime Aklepi will join our Sisterhood esteemed artists Nancy Billings, Marlene Kohn, and Wendy Kornfield as we make these beautiful silk pieces to share with our family and friends.

\$18 per person. Space is limited to the first 24 who register. RSVP at tbam.org/challahcovers

Sisterhood Movie Club

7pm

Join us as Pamela Lear facilitates our discussion of **The Father.** This Academy Award-winning film stars Anthony Hopkins in one of his finest performances as a man succumbing to dementia. It allows us to experience his confusion and offers the perspective of the caretakers and loved ones. It is an exquisite balance of intellectual and the emotional.

The film is available on **Netflix** or go to www.JustWatch.com to choose what site you want to watch this film.

RSVP for Zoom link at tbam.org/movieclub Please call Fredi Cogan, Movie Club Chair at 305 343-4217 with any questions!





OPENING



Our three fabulous guest speakers will offer reflections on how food, humor and love can enrich the important relationships in our lives.

NAOMI HARRIS is a Miami native, Miami Palmetto High and Northwestern University graduate who has enjoyed baking since she was a teen. She bakes with organic, pure ingredients to create her culinary creations while creating a community at her Coral Gables restaurant, Madruga Bakery. Naomi and her husband Fabio have a newborn son, Theodore.



ALI LEVIN is a Brooklyn-based, Miami-born comedian, impressionist, actor, writer, and film producer dedicated to uplifting audiences through intimate storytelling and experiences that generate empathy and connectedness. Her comedy has been featured in Refinery 29, FunnyOrDie, and *The New York Times*. Her producing work has been featured on Netflix, CNN, Smithsonian Channel, Discovery Channel, and National Geographic. Ali grew up a member of the TBAM community and never scored a basket during her entire time as a TBAM basketball player! She is thrilled to spend the evening in laughter with the Sisterhood.

RABBI JUDITH KEMPLER is excited to be joining the Sisterhood Board this year as Vice President of Membership. Formerly a member of the Temple Beth Am clergy team, Rabbi Kempler spent seven years as spiritual adviser to TBAM's Sisterhood. During that time, she helped to craft engagement strategies, seeded thoughtful programming ideas and brought Jewish teaching to relevant programming. She is the mother of three Beth Am kiddos: Zoe (10), Zack (8) and Ava (3). She loves baking, running, singing (even when it embarrasses her kids) and dance!



This event is complimentary for all current 2022-2023 Sisterhood members.

Join Sisterhood today at tbam.org/joinsisterhood

ATTENTION 8TH GRADE STUDENTS!



For more information, contact Tamara Donnenfeld, Director of Lifelong Learning at tdonnenfeld@tbam.org.

Participants must enroll in MNC and take "Israel Matters" course.

Come to MNC Open House on Monday, September 19 at 6:00pm to learn about this program. Participants are required to enroll in MNC classes and take "Israel Matters".



Week Ending September 2, 2022

Babette Ackerman Norton Agron Felicia Baloff Albert Beckerman* Sybil Bernstein Rachel Bogram Helen Boosin Mina Branciforte Elaine Cohen* Max Cohen Maurice Cromer Libby Winer Fain* Ben Feld Martin Robert Feller Irwin Fine Alexander E. Finger* Ronald A. Friedman* Joan B. Gallant* Jerome Gampel* Benjamin Graff* David Gurkin Arleen Halbrich* Florence Harris Eileen Hirsch Charlotte Mae Hoffer Moises Holtz Harold Hurwitz* Iulius Israel Sidney "Larry" Kahn, III Merrille Kaplan* Aaron M. Kass Agnes Klappstein* Myrna Klein Irwin "Buddy" Kott* Merrill Lamb Harry Laskin* Donald Lazare Sherwin Levine Marton Lichtman Steven Mark Linden* Jane Loper Alfred Lustig Robert Marcus Alice Jean "AJ" Melnick Ben Miller* Esta Millheiser Sherri L. Moss Rose Osman Gertrude D. Pallot* Jane Rosen Norman Rosenberg* Rose Hankoff Rubenstein Jack Salem* Jack Schneider* Janice Singer Esther Skor* Samuel Solomon Jr.* Ida Vilinsky* Wolf Wahrman

Lili Weiniger

Jason Wilder

Morton (Mike) Yulman* Phyllis Zagorski

Week Ending September 9, 2022

Beulah Aboff

George Aibel*

Philip Apfelberg

Sadie Adels

Ray Benyunes Ailene Berg Joy Risa Berman* Mendel Berman* Shirley Berman Roberto Cano Cy Ciminero Ethel Cohen Lawrence Cohen Leo Cowan Joan Ditkowsky* Harry David Einhorn* Dr. Bernard Engel* Ilona Engel* Diane Fink Isaac Fiorentino* Frank Foldes Fred Freud* Shira Baumgard Garvett Natalie Ginsburg Solomon Goldman Martin Green Marcia Greenberg* Marvin Greisel **Eunice Groff** Muriel Hattenbach Sheila Hellinger* Nathan Holtzman Charles Kahn Louis Kahn Madaleen Kamenoff Rose Kammer Myriam A. Koolman Morales Anne Kravetz Sylvia Kreindler Lawrence Landy M. Arthur Lazear Bertha Lebow Milton Levine* Naomi Levine Florence Lewis Baker Pearl Linett Edith Markenson* Mary Kos Marn Rose Martin Sylvia Masserman* Lisa Millhauser Dena Parent Allen "Al" Payne Abram Price Bruce D. Roberts Harold Rose

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Florence Rosenthal* Lillian Ross* Bobbi Roth Rosalind Rudnick* Belle Ruttenberg* Dr. Bernard Saper* Fred Scherer Lee Schinoff* Helen Schulner Morton H. Schultz Sylvia Schutz Kathryn C. Seiden* Robert "Bob" Sherry* Dora Simon Sara Simovitch* Marie C. Smith Dr. Mark Snider Walter Soman Steven Sotloff Shirley Steen Hana Stein Fanny Stricoff Louis Tiplitz Pearl Ware

Week Ending September 16, 2022

Lilo Bacharach

Lillian Beckwitt*

David Berg Jr.* Harold Berger* Lester H. Berry* Israel Binstock* Ruth Cohn Calderon Rachel Cassorla Samuel L. Cohen* Louis Danziger Berl Donnenfeld Samuel Eckstein Kathy Farber Miriam FeBland Elliott (Eddie) Feinberg* Norman Feldman* Salomon Finkelman Sadie Finkelstein* Jack Fishman Janice Fusfield Moshe Gabbay Robert Gaffin* Eileen "Joy" Goldstein* Louis Greenblatt Lance E. Greenman* Harry Greenwald Cecile Greif Esther Grossman* Elinor Gura* Carole H. Gurland* Andrew Hall Loretta Holtzman Carl K. Kaplan* Lily Kaplan Terry Kassewitz* John Kempler

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Week Ending September 23, 2022

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We mourn the passing of

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Phyllis Lieberman, mother of **Susan (Jeffrey) Nullman,** Jay (Genie) Lieberman; grandmother of **Steven (Katie) Nullman,** Michael (Jennifer) Nullman, Julie (Joshua) Feinberg, Melissa (Corey) Saifman and Jonathon Lieberman; great grandmother of Jake, Ashley and Zack Nullman, **Ava** and **Jolie Nullman,** Olivia and Daniel Feinberg and Ilya Saifman

Dr. Stephen C. Margolis, husband of Harriet Margolis, father of **Jeffrey (Alice) Margolis**, Elyse Dermer, Adam (Jackie) Margolis, Cheryl (Darren) Blum; grandchildren: Ryan and Lauren Margolis, Jay (Kari) Dermer, Joshua Dermer, Jonah Dermer; Kendall and Noah Margolis and Jake, Britney and Lindsey Blum; Great grandchild Liora Dermer

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OUR JEWISH HERITÄGE



By Dr. Lenore C. Kipper, RJE, Judaic Studies Director, Emerita

Journey to Israel 75: Pioneers, Leaders, Builders

The early pioneers who believed in the return to the land of Eretz Yisrael around 1880, were mostly young people from Russia and Poland. They were motivated by some of the early writers and visionaries of what was to become Zionism.

Eliezer Ben Yehuda, 1858-1922

Ben Yehuda conceived of Jewish nationalism as both the return to the historic homeland in the Land of Israel as well as the revival of the Hebrew language. He was the visionary that made the dream of transforming Hebrew from biblical study to a modern spoken language.

Eliezer was born in Lithuania from a traditional Chabad family. He learned Hebrew as a young boy in the traditional way. As a young man, he studied in a Russian gymnasium and then moved to Paris. It was a difficult time for Jews in Europe, and he was troubled by the problems of the Jewish People as a minority. Influenced by the ideas of nationalism, he soon began to write articles in Hebrew promoting the idea of a return to the land of Israel to establish a Jewish national homeland. He wrote, "If we are to create a reborn Jewish nation, we must have a new reborn language, Hebrew for everyday living." He believed that we needed both a land and a language to unify the Jewish People.

He moved to Palestine (which was under the control of the Ottoman Empire at that time) in 1881, with his wife and son, living in Jerusalem. They agreed to only speak Hebrew in the family. This experiment led Eliezer to create new words not found in the Bible, but based on the Hebrew roots. He decided to establish a Hebrew newspaper in order to encourage the community to begin using Hebrew for everyday living. He took on the challenge of writing a modern Hebrew dictionary, 17 volumes, and establishing the Va'ad HaLaShon. It became the Academy for Hebrew Language. Jews from many lands began to return to Israel, speaking the languages of Europe, Yiddish and Ladino. It was essential for everyone to learn the living modern Hebrew in order to unify the communities and deal with everyday realities. Soon all the schools taught modern Hebrew as well as Biblical Hebrew. As each group of Jews arrived, adults attended ULPAN, an intensive language course in order to function in day to day activities with each other. This system still exists today.

Within a generation, a core of young speakers developed with Hebrew as the symbol of linguistic nationalism. It was endorsed by the British Mandate Authority, that Hebrew is the official language of the Jews of Palestine, November 29, 1922, "In every new initiative, there needs to be one pioneer who will devote his energies to it, and step by step, he will lead the way without turning back."

That pioneer was Eliezer Ben Yehuda. He never saw the establishment of the nation of Israel, yet his dream of the rebirth of the nation. speaking its own official language, was realized. When you travel to Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, visit the streets named for him. Modern Hebrew has become a living symbol of Jewish pride and unity, thanks to Eliezer who gave his entire life to make it happen. Todah Rabbah, thank you, Eliezer.

L'Shanah Tovah, a healthy good year,

Lenore Kipper



When did Temple Beth Am Begin?

In the spring of 1955, 13 families met to discuss the need to create a Jewish Community in South Dade County. By September, 1955, they established the organization called the South Dade Jewish Center, and by November, 1955, they purchased seven and a half acres on Kendall Drive to become the site of the Center.

Where did they have classes and services before any building began?

Many public and community locations were found to have Hebrew classes, meetings and services. The Religious School classes were held at the University of Miami on Sundays. At this time there were 155 students.

When did they hire the first Rabbi?

Rabbi Herbert Baumgard was the southeast regional director for Reform Judaism. He was their consultant, and eventually, he became the founding Rabbi, part-time at first, then full time in 1959. During this time, the Board of Directors voted to become a Reform congregation, and they changed the name to Temple Beth Am, House of the People.

What was the first construction built on the site?

In 1958 construction started on the first building, the original social hall, and offices. By Rosh HaShanah Temple Beth Am was able to have services and meetings on the campus.

When was it possible to hold classes on campus?

The second stage of construction was the first school building. By the fall of 1959, the nursery school and religious school classes had a home on campus. The congregation grew in membership as well as educational and cultural events.

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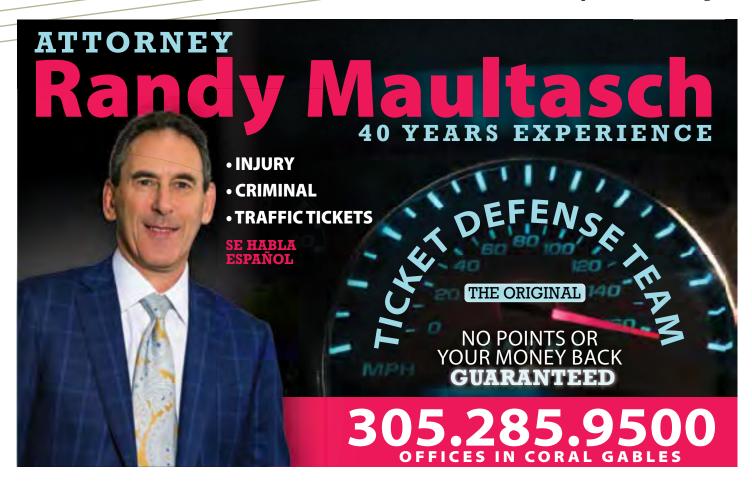
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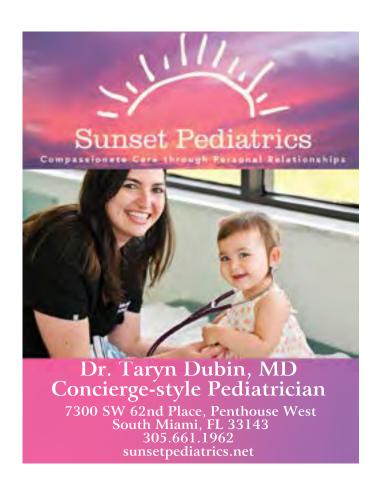
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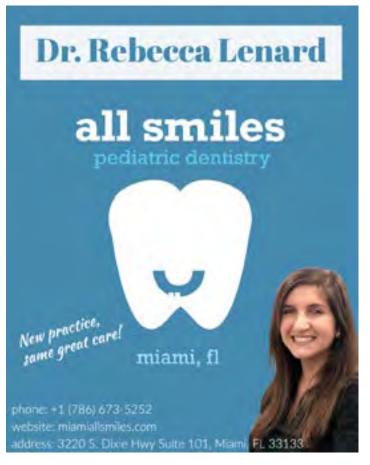


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Does not include Matzo Balls. \$10.99 quart
MATZO BALLS \$1.39 each

OVERSIZED GEFILTE FISH
Served with Red Horseradish. \$3.99 each

MINI POTATO LATKES
Served with apple sauce. 2 per order \$3.50

WHITEFISH SALAD Small 1/2 lb \$14.50 - Medium 1 lb \$28.99 - Large 2 lb \$57.98

NANA'S CHOPPED CHICKEN LIVER Small 1/2 lb \$6.39 - Medium 1 lb \$12.59 - Large 2 lb \$25.18 STUFFED CABBAGE (LARGE) \$7.99 each

delicious desserts

ASSORTED HOUSE COOKIES BY THE POUND \$16.99 lb Rugulach • Merengues • Macaroons • Rainbow

ASSORTED COOKIES \$3.50 each Chocolate Chip • Oatmeal Raisin

ASSORTED 8" CAKES \$42 each Chocolate Obsession • Chocolate Velvet Strawberry Shortcake • N.Y. Style Cheesecake

FRUIT TART WITH FRENCH PASTRY CREAM 8" \$34 each

APPLE ALMOND TART 8" \$34 each
PEAR AND CHOCOLATE TART 8" \$34 each
CHOCOLATE OR CINNAMON BABKA \$17.99 each
HONEY CAKE \$15.95 each

main dishes

SLICED BRISKET BRAISED TO PERFECTION Served with Homemade Brisket Gravy.

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EXTRA BRISKET GRAVY \$10.95 per quart

WHOLE ROASTED HERB CHICKENS \$14.99 each

WHOLE ROASTED TURKEY Served with gravy seasoned with fine herbs.

Small (Serves 8-12) \$107.00 Medium (Serves 14-18) \$157.00 Large (Serves 22-26) \$197.00

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THICK SLICED TURKEY BREAST \$18.99 lb
EXTRA TURKEY GRAVY \$10.95 per quart
GRILLED SALMON FILETS \$9.99 per piece

traditional sides

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Beginning Sundown Tuesday, October 4, 2022

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CHEESE BLINTZES
Served with Blueberry Sauce. \$3.95 each

OVERSIZED GEFILTE FISH
Served with Red Horseradish. \$3.99 each

DEVILED EGGS \$2.50 each

MINI POTATO LATKES
Served with Apple Sauce. 2 per order \$3.50

WHITEFISH SALAD Small 1/2 lb \$14.50 - Medium 1 lb \$28.99 - Large 2 lb \$57.98

NANA'S CHOPPED CHICKEN LIVER Small 1/2 lb \$6.39 - Medium 1 lb \$12.59 - Large 2 lb \$25.18

TUNA SALAD \$14.99 Ib

EGG SALAD \$10.99 Ib

DELI CHICKEN SALAD \$14.99 Ib

POTATO SALAD \$9.99 Ib

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SEASONAL FRUIT SALAD \$13.99 Ib

perfect platters

YOM KIPPUR SMOKED FISH PLATTER Sliced Nova, whole de-boned stuffed whitefish. Artfully

presented on leaf lettuce with sliced vine-ripe tomatoes, red onion, lemon, capers and cream cheese.

Small (15 Bagels) \$239.50 Medium (24 Bagels) \$374.00 Large (30 Bagels) \$479.00

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QUEEN MOTHER FLOURLESS CHOCOLATE CAKE \$42 each

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