

The Kibbitzer

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From the Rabbi

“Obligations without Measure: Welcoming the Stranger” (from the daily prayers)



We who are parents or teachers instill in our children early on a sense of “stranger danger.” For their own safety we want children to understand that just because someone is friendly does not mean that individual is trustworthy. We err on the side of caution – whether it is accepting a home-baked Halloween treat, taking help from a kindly man or woman, or opening the door to anyone who rings – our children learn from us to be careful. And this is completely appropriate in an age when we don’t live in small villages where everyone is familiar and when the dangers and possibilities of harm are multiplied.

We at the synagogue aren’t immune from this caution. In a world filled with hate and violence, we are taking appropriate measures to maximize the safety of everyone that enters. We balance this appropriate modern concern with our ancient mandate as Jews to welcome the stranger, to provide hospitality and warmth to all who seek a place in our community. The obligation for hospitality emerges from those first Jews, Abraham and Sarah. Abraham, sitting in the opening of his tent, sees travelers and he and Sarah provide them with food and drink – and even wash their feet! The Passover Seder begins with the familiar words “Let all who are hungry come and eat.” Along with honoring parents, burying the dead, and studying Torah, welcoming the stranger is mentioned as a fundamental obligation in our daily and Shabbat prayer book. Even the tradition of saying Kiddush in the synagogue (and not only at home) on Friday night began so as to make sure that travelers and strangers would have a community with whom to bless the wine.

Our annual Open House on Aug. 14, gives us at Beth Shalom the chance to fulfill this essential mitzvah. The word “us” is important. The obligation of welcoming is not one that can be passed off to an institution. It belongs to each and every one of us. What does that mean? It means that each of us is a member of the membership committee, a greeter, an open hand (and heart) of welcome. How can you live up to that Jewish obligation? Pass along news of the Open House to a neighbor, co-worker or friend – and bring that friend to the Open House. Spread the news on your Facebook page, send an email or make a phone call. Think how much more likely you are to take the risk of going to a new place if you are invited and accompanied by someone you know rather than simply responding to an advertisement? People respond to friends and acquaintances – to relationships – more than to cold words on paper.

Live up to the traditions of Abraham and Sarah, the words of the Pesach seder, the obligations of Jewish tradition and welcome the stranger. As our new six-word congregational tag line now says: *Once we were strangers, strangers no more.* You can make that happen.

Kibbitzer Alert...please check out page 6 for important information about The Kibbitzer!

From the President - David Friedman

Didn't summer just begin? Seems I was just thinking about, and writing about vacations, and now, public school is about to begin!

The next big event at Congregation Beth Shalom is our Annual Open House on Sunday, Aug. 14. This special day has been mentioned several times in our announcements at Friday night services, along with being posted in our weekly bulletins and e-blasts.

At the first Open House Carol Anne and I attended, which was about seven or eight years ago, I signed up to be a part of the newly-formed choir, and have been singing with them ever since! The following year, I participated in the Selichot Play, had the honor of reading a Torah portion, and was asked to be on the "I Am Jewish" panel for Shabbat Shuvah. This is where congregants are asked to speak on what their Judaism means to them.

Here's my point, Open House is a great opportunity to become involved a little, or a lot. It's your choice. Many groups will be represented. The possibility even exists to start a new group. For example, perhaps a Men's club could get re-born? What a novel idea!

In John Ortberg, Jr.'s book, *Everybody's Normal Til You Get To Know Them*, he writes, "One can only be loved to the extent that they are known." In regards to this, Rabbi Lydia Medwin writes, "This is a powerful statement of truth, and yet, how often do we wander through our world, and in how many places, and feel unnoticed or unknown? How many rooms do we enter and no one turns around? In how many instances have we acted and our actions were deemed unimportant?"

I can speak from our eight years of experience that when

you become a part of the Beth Shalom family, this doesn't happen. Everyone is welcomed. Your actions are appreciated and noticed, and they are important.



"Our Temple can be a hospital for the spirit. The Temple needs you. We all need each other and the gifts we can offer one another."

So, this is my invitation to you. If you have been a part of a group for a while, or joined a committee, this is the perfect time.

I look forward to seeing you Sunday, August 14th at 9:30 a.m. I'll bring the bagels!



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Upcoming Dates to Remember

Sun. August 14 - Kick-off event for all confirmation & youth groupers.

Sat. August 27 - 7th grade Shabbaton 10 am-2pm

Sun. Aug 28 - Torah Tots

Sat. Sept. 10—Bible & Bagels

Sun. Sept. 11—Adult Hebrew classes begin. Reservations are required. More info available in the ad on page 5.

*Religious Education Calendar, page 7;
Full calendar, page 15*

August Oneg Schedule

There can be no joy without food and drink. — Talmud, Mo'ed Katan

THANK YOU! to the following people who will host an Oneg Shabbat in August.

- Aug. 5 Michael and Cheryl Lubin will host the oneg in honor of Judy's 9th birthday on Aug. 13.
- Aug. 12 Randi Lannak will coordinate the oneg in honor of Sarah and Michael Meyers' son, Zach, who will become a Bar Mitzvah.
- Aug. 19 Michael and Virginia Barnett will host the oneg in honor of their anniversary.
- Aug. 26 Dave and Carol Anne Friedman will host the oneg in honor of their 15th anniversary.

On behalf of the Oneg Committee, I wish to express a big "thank you" for hosting our August onegs! - Anna

SIGN UP TO SPONSOR AN ONEG!

Contact Judith Pliner at (813) 436-0080 or email her at gp@pliner-inc.com if you are interested in hosting. Thanks to everyone who is helping out with the onegs in the upcoming months.

Your Oneg Committee,
*Anna Feldman, Judith Pliner, Anita Hoffman
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eBlast deadline is Wednesday at 6:00pm

THE FUN STUFF!

**NFL Fantasy Football League
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Congregation Beth Shalom is pleased to announce NFL Fantasy Football League is back for season 5 and better than ever! We are planning opportunities to watch games together. It will be a lot of fun.

Imagine you as the general manager of a NFL team. You decide which pro players to draft and who sits or starts each week from the convenience of your own home. It is up to you to name the team and draft the players who will bring you to victory each week.

Join the fun!

All you need to do is attend the draft party (food and drink provided) in person or remotely (time and place to be determined). You will need to bring your list of favorite players and a winning spirit. (If you can't make the party but have access to a computer, that's fine also.)

The cost to join is \$60. Prizes will be awarded to the Super Bowl Champion and other categories. All other proceeds benefit CBS. General managers may sign up at Open House or by contacting Dan Weinstein at 685-7064, or dwine007@msn.com

Sign up now to secure your spot in the winner's circle, raise a little money for CBS and enjoy the comradery with other temple members.



Josh L., Aurora O., and Liz P., were joined by Rabbi Torop at Shabbat services during their first week of summer camp at URJ Camp Coleman in Georgia. All three have returned home safely and have great stories to share, and new memories for a lifetime!

CBS wish list

Financially supporting the synagogue is the responsibility of the entire Jewish community so that it can continue to exist and grow for everyone, both now and in the future. Items are often "wished" for to add to our spiritual home. Below are a few of our most frequently requested items that, while not deemed necessary, would certainly enhance our environment:

Interior Wish List:

- 2 small curtain rods
- Large coolers
- Water supply for Cafe Shalom
- Commercial oven
- Free standing literature stand (floor model)
- 8—New 90" (floor length) round tablecloths in navy blue
- 8—New 90" (floor length) round tablecloths in white
- 1" binders
- Keyboard drawers

Exterior Wish List:

- Cypress mulch (to refresh)
- Planters, soil and vines for pergola
- Wood sealer for outdoor elements
- Awnings for entries

While monetary donations are welcomed, encouraged, and needed and can be used where the temple needs it most, we know sometimes people prefer concrete gifts and look for opportunities to provide in other ways. We hope this list is helpful. Before making an in-kind contribution, due to limited storage space, please contact the temple first to be sure the item is still on the list.

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Phyllis Newman

Kudos n' Mazels

Join with CBS in offering congratulations and recognition to the following members on their accomplishments:

KUDOS

- Kudos to **Cynthia Goldstein** and **Richie Bauman** for providing the D'var Torah's in Rabbi's absence!
- Kudos to **Sarah S., Clara B., Liz P.,** and **Lucas O.**, for taking time out of their summer schedules to put together a terrific first - a 24-hour BESTY Bonanza!
- Kudos and much thanks to **Suzanne Jones**, for all her years of commitment to *The Kibbitzer*.

MAZELS

- Mazel Tov to **Myron Feldman** on his new job at Home Shopping Network!
- Mazelt Tov to **Iylene & Jeff Miller**, on becoming grandparents! Welcome to the world, EJ (Elias Jeffrey) Miller!



*Do you know a CBS member who should be congratulated for a special accomplishment?
If so, email the name and accomplishment to cbs-admin@hotmail.com.*

MEMBERSHIP

I am looking forward to seeing LOTS of our members at the Annual Open House on Aug. 14. Please come join us for a light bagel breakfast and find out what's happening at Congregation Beth Shalom.

If you choose, bring a few friends with you so they can find out about our congregation. And if you have school-age students, you can register them for religious school at the same time.

See you Sunday, Aug.14, at 9:30 a.m.

Gail Verlin, Interim Membership Chairman

COMING THIS FALL

Hebrew for Adults

If you want to keep up with what your kids learn in Hebrew School, or be able to follow along in services, this Hebrew class is for you.

No prior knowledge needed.

Registration (and payment for non-members) in advance required:

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LIFELONG LEARNING—Sheila Fishman



On Sunday, Sept. 11, at 4 p.m., the Lifelong Learning Committee of the Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon will present a lecture and slide program on JEWISH ART HISTORY with Susan Fader. Mrs. Fader is the daughter of Holocaust survivors. Years after coming to America, her parents became art dealers and collectors. Mrs. Fader grew up surrounded by paintings and sculptures. Born in the Bronx, she was raised in Newton, Massachusetts. She is a lifelong professional artist with a degree from the Philadelphia College of Art. Prior to receiving her degree, she attended the Rhode Island School of Design. Before retiring in Florida, with her husband, she owned and operated, three art-related businesses. She now enjoys working as a staff art instructor in a 55+ community. In addition, she teaches art at libraries and other adult education programs.

Mrs. Fader has said “art history has a power that goes beyond traditional history. Directly connecting the artists’ art with the historical events surrounding them adds another dimension to how one thinks about history and a deeper understanding of mankind.”

Her chronological examination of Jewish Art History will begin with a look at the origins of Jewish Art and how the 2nd Commandment played a role in its evolution. We will begin with Ceremonial Objects, Mosaics, Haggadah and Illuminated Manuscripts created by Jewish craftsmen. Essential to the overall study of Jewish art, Mrs. Fader will address Jewish art created by artists from the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries. After speaking about those important artists, the focus will turn to the 1930s. We will learn about artists of victims and survivors of WWII and how their art reflects their individual experiences. Included in this portion of the talk will be the work of well-known artists, and the poignant art of others less known. The presentation will end with a look at artwork by Jewish artists of the 1950s to present time. Their art will provide an understanding of how Jewish culture and history continues to be expressed through their work. A recommended reading, and a list of the artists discussed will be available to attendees. There is no cost for admission, but a donation to Congregation Beth Shalom of \$10 is suggested.

If you are interested in attending this presentation, please contact the office at 813-681-6547 or Sheila Fishman at 813-833-7843.



ATTENTION! We’re changing the way we are sending out the Kibbitzer. **This is it!**

We’re going to send everyone the Kibbitzer “**online.**” This change is being made to help decrease one of our expenses at Beth Shalom. However, if you prefer receiving your Kibbitzer via the US Mail, please call the Temple at (813) 681-6547 or e-mail the Temple (cbs-admin@hotmail.com) to tell us you **do not** want to get your Kibbitzer online. Please help Beth Shalom cut its expenses and receive your Kibbitzer sooner.

Dates to Remember

- **Bible and Bagels:** A Morning of Torah study and a nosh Sept.10- Parashat Shoftim: Law & Order Special Bible Unit
- **Hebrew for Adults:** If you want to keep up with what your kids learn in Hebrew School, or be able to follow along in services, this class is for you. No prior knowledge needed. To register, call the Temple office at 813-681-6547
Teacher: Rudina Richter
Five Sunday mornings starting Sept. 11, from 9:45a.m. - 11:15a.m. Free for members \$25 for non-members—must be paid in advance.
- **Jewish Art History:** This in-depth presentation will look at Jewish art from its origins to the present time. Slides of the art will be shown throughout the talk.
Teacher: Susan Fader
Sunday, Sept. 11 from 4 pm - 6 pm, plus a Q&A
The presentation will be followed by Dinner with the Tribe
- **Page Turners:** The CBS Book Group
Book selection is *The Innocents* by Francesca Segal
Coordinator: Phyllis Newman
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EDUCATION - Amy Weinstein

Ever since I was a child, I have loved the start of a new school year. I always liked “school clothes shopping,” sharpening pencils for the first time, picking out new folders and marveling at the very pointy crayon tips still new in the Crayola box. Mostly, it was the anticipation of something great happening. New friends, new classes, new adventures await! This year marks my 30th year with the Hillsborough County School District and my 10th with Beth Shalom’s Religious School. I can honestly say that this morning when I saw “Back-to-School Sales” in the paper, I was excited! My enthusiasm for a new school year hasn’t dimmed in the 45.

This year we have both returning teachers and new faces to greet our children. I am extremely confident in the staff, curriculum and experiences that we will be providing this year. I am hopeful our families will take full advantage of our programming by ensuring that religious school attendance is a family priority. In addition to consistent student attendance, our school strives from strong parent involvement. Please see Natasha Reiger and Lea Garbett, our Parent Association chairs, for information on volunteering.

Registration paperwork and our Parent Handbook can be found online. It will also be available during Open House Aug. 14.

Our first day of religious school will be Aug. 21. We will begin with a Welcome Back Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Parent Association. Our breakfast will begin at 9 a.m. to allow students to eat and begin their first day of class on time. We hope parents will stick around, mingle, join the Parent Association, learn about our curriculum, and have any questions answered by our staff.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions/concerns/comments regarding your child’s religious education at Congregation Beth Shalom. Amy Weinstein- awine007@msn.com (813)285-9251.

Bar/Bat Mitzvah Listings

If you would like to have information on your child’s upcoming Bar or Bat Mitzvah listed in *The Kibbitzer*, please submit an article and picture (digital if possible) to kibbitzer706@verizon.net by the second Friday of the month prior to your service.

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BeSTY BEAT

BeSTY is excited to announce that we’ll be working with Brandon Regional Hospital’s pediatric ward, making birthday boxes for their pediatric patients! We’ll be putting together boxes of trinkets and toys to help make kids’ hospital visits a little less scary and maybe a bit happier. We’ll also be handcrafting a number of items—so when you hear BeSTY asking for odd items (like shoeboxes, large mouthed jars, etc.) now you’ll know why! BRH has 23 beds in their pediatric unit—15 inpatient, and 8 in intensive care. And we’ll be refreshing our “stash” periodically. Thank you so much to those folks who have already contributed items to help our project!

Don’t forget to stop by our table at Open House and pick a lollipop! Everyone’s a winner, but someone will win a special prize!



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Membership Committee Plans Annual Open House for Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon



The membership committee of Congregation Beth Shalom is planning the annual Open House for the Brandon Synagogue. Religious school registration will also be conducted. The event will take place on **Sunday morning, August 14 from 9:30 A.M. - Noon** at 706 Bryan Rd, Brandon, FL 33511. This event is free and all families interested in attending are welcome. A light, bagel breakfast will be served - reservations are not necessary.

“We provide a meaningful Jewish home for people of all ages and levels of knowledge, a place to learn and to question, a place to worship and celebrate, and a place to find a community that cares” says the congregational spiritual leader, Rabbi Betsy Torop.



Information about many of the congregational activities will be available during the open house. The “full service” synagogue offers Friday Worship services, Religious School (K–10th grade), Torah Tots, B’nai Mitzvah Preparation, Chavurah Groups, Youth Programming, Adult Education Classes and holiday celebrations, just to name a few.

If you are not able to attend the open house but want information about joining the congregation, please check out our website: www.bethshalom-brandon.org or call the temple directly at 813-681-6547. You can also call me, Gail Verlin – Membership, at (813) 988-8193 or e-mail me at gverlin@verlingroup.com We look forward to seeing you August 14.

KOLOT SHOLOM NOTES

There is grief. There is silence. There is sadness for what could have been. There is conflict. There is mourning in our family. I contemplate sitting shiva.

In so many ways, this feels like a memorial for a lost era. There are few survivors who can relate those distant years. What sadness has occurred? Who was affected?

The event happened following Kristallnacht. Shot down in its prime, this uniquely cultural phase of Jewish history was disturbed for all time. Our Jewish community lost so much on that night, and yet this one event has been greatly overlooked.

The event I am speaking of is the loss of the great Jewish Organs, Organ Composers and Organists of the 1930's and 40's.

“So what?” many Jews say. “The organ was only an instrument of the Christian Church, an instrument that Jews in Germany used to help them feel more like their neighbors and countryman.”

Not so, my dear loved ones. The Jewish Organ had an earlier past before the Christian Churches, and it had a wealth of repertoire that expanded like that of the Church for many years. In addition, let's not forget the many Jewish Organists and Composers who were sent to the concentration camps or emigrated to a land that had no need of their talents.

When I first joined Congregation B'nai Israel in Bridgeport, Connecticut, I joined as a member and later as the Temple Organist for a short period of time. I thrilled to the sound of the organ accompaniment along with the voice of our well-known Cantor, Ramon Gilbert. The music had the nuances of Jewish modes led by a Cantor that brought us close to the feet of the Holy One.

So what happened to our Organ and Choral music? How has congregational choir music been affected? Two years ago, at Mifgash, I was able to have this discussion with many Temple Musicians. However, there was not an in-depth workshop. So I feel we only circled the subject.

In the next month, I will engage in a process of investigation. I hope you will also research this matter. I'm sure this will lead to an enriched congregational discussion. I would appreciate your remembrances as well.

Shalom,
Joan Frankel, *Kolot Shalom Director*



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CBS LIBRARY UPDATE

Calling all bookworms. The CBS Library still needs book ends in the library and any books with any references to Judaism. All donations are appreciated!

Anita Hoffman,
Congregation Beth Shalom Librarian

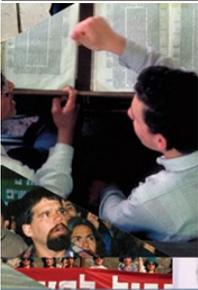
CBS ON FACEBOOK



Our congregation has few places to find us on Facebook! All three of the following groups require approval to join:

- ✓ **Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon**
- ✓ **Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon Religious School Parent Association**
- ✓ **Youth Group**

Then there is our page:
Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon
that anyone can follow.



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Through video lectures, text study, and lively group discussion, we are pleased to bring the world-renowned faculty of the Shalom Hartman Institute into the Beth El community this fall.

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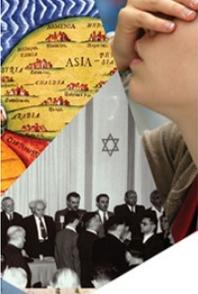
Together we will engage in a new values-based discourse about Israel, including topics such as: Living with Difference, the Israel We Imagine, Jewish Narratives of Peace, Attitudes Towards the Land, Justice, Self-Preservation, Compromise, and the Idea of Jewish Exceptionalism.

Each session includes text study and discussion led by Rabbi Torop and video lecture and interviews with leading Hartman scholars.

August 16, September 20, November 15, December 15 (Tuesdays, 7-8:30)

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Funds:

- **General Fund** (unrestricted): An unrestricted gift to the General Fund allows the temple to use those funds wherever they may be needed most. This fund incorporates contributions received from our High Holy Day Appeal, Yahrzeit donations, Bricklets, Adopt-A-Book, Tree of Life (unless otherwise indicated) and other non-restricted gifts.
- **Building Fund:** A fund to ensure the continuing physical growth of our spiritual home. Intended for capital improvements and major building repairs.
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- **Youth Group Fund:** a fund that supports the ongoing engagement of post b'nai mitzvah youth, providing meaningful and fun experiences for our teens, and keeping them connected to their Jewish community.

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Opportunities:

- **Adopt-A-Book:** A dedication label will be placed in one of our prayer books, to commemorate a simcha or in honor or memory of a loved one for just \$54.
- **Bricklets:** For as little as \$9 you can send a Bricklet Card instead of buying a card for birthdays, condolences, etc. A Bricklet Card in your name will be sent to the person you wish stating that a donation has been made in his or her name to Beth Shalom to honor the occasion.
- **Tree of Life:** The Tree of Life is on the back wall of our Sanctuary. An engraved leaf or stone can commemorate many simchas, b'nai mitzvah, wedding, birth, graduations, etc. Leaves are \$180, and stones are \$1800.
- **Yahrzeit Plaque:** To honor the death of a loved one, you may purchase a plaque that will be cared for in perpetuity for \$250. The name of the deceased along with their date of death is included on the plaque.

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Anniversaries



8/20	Jim & Sandee	Pelk
8/25	David & Carol Anne	Friedman



Birthdays

8/5	Arlene	Slater
8/5	Mark	Dempsey
8/6	Elisha	Santucci
8/7	Jay	Bolnick
8/7	Lindsay	Finke
8/8	Jason	Tackus
8/9	Randy	Sehres
8/9	Randy	Freedman
8/11	Ryan	Katz
8/12	Elisa	Criden
8/13	Dahlia	Howard
8/13	Danielle	Frost
8/13	Judy	Lubin
8/15	Scott	Savitt
8/16	Jackie	Sehres
8/18	Daniel	Weinstein
8/18	Denise	Savitt
8/20	Phyllis	Newman
8/21	Cheryl	Lubin
8/21	Joseph	Best
8/22	Erica	Jacobson
8/22	Sharon	Elazar
8/23	Lisa	Smith
8/24	Michaela	Meyers
8/26	Tali Alyssa	Katz
8/28	Samantha	Zaifert
8/30	Michelle	McCormick
8/31	Kevin	Frye

Yahrzeits



8/1	Deborah	Glickman	Mother	of	Betsy	Glickman
8/2	Sally	Rubin	Mother	of	Stan	Rubin
8/4	Joseph	Gaba	Grandfather	of	Leslie	Boyar
8/5	Sandor	Winter	Grandfather	of	Gary	Ronay
8/6	Josephine	Richter	Grandmother	of	David	Richter
8/6	Merrill	Barber	Husband	of	Barbara	Barber
8/7	Lia	Lifschitz	Mother	of	Gabriel	Lifschitz
8/7	Philip	Robin	Father	of	Anita	Hoffman
8/9	Henry	Lutz	GreatGreatGrandfathe	of	Jessica	Berdit
8/9	Isadore	Fagan	Great Grandfather	of	Jessica	Berdit
8/9	Bette	Nusman	Mother	of	Lisa	Murray
8/11	Charlotte	Winter	Grandmother	of	Gary	Ronay
8/12	Jack	Honig	Father	of	Rudina	Richter
8/14	Ralph	Malkman	Father	of	Marla	Smith
8/15	Harry	Feldman	Father	of	Myron	Feldman
8/15	Robert Nathan	Miller	Father	of	Eric	Miller
8/17	Joseph	Stein	Father	of	Carolyn	Miller
8/17	Dorothy	Ratner	Mother	of	Ira	Ratner
8/17	Albert	Hebert	Father	of	Michael	Hebert
8/19	Eleanor	Metz	Sister	of	Blossom	Grimm Silverstein
8/20	George	Moravnick	Father	of	Eunice	Rifkin
8/20	Cecile	Balot	mother of	of	Keith	Balot
8/24	Samuel	Pesin	Friend	of	Michael	Oertel
8/25	Ann	Zolner	Step Grandmother	of	Carolyn	Miller
8/25	Rebecca	Fagan	GreatGreat Grandmoth	of	Jessica	Berdit
8/27	Gerald	Besterman	Father	of	Leslie	Boyar
8/30	Bella	Leybovich	Mother	of	Ron	Leybovich
8/30	Martin	Fishman	Brother	of	Errol	Fishman
8/31	Abraham	Levine	Father	of	Sara	Goodman

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all our joys for that month.
For this month it will be:

August 19th

The dates listed for the Yahrzeits are adjusted yearly according to the Jewish Calendar and may not necessarily coincide with the common date of death. Names are read for Kaddish at the Shabbat before the actual date. If you would like to have the common date listed, please contact the temple office.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 Shaded days indicate office closure.	2 7:00P Inclusion Task Force	3 10 First Day of Public School—Hills. Co.	4 12:00P—Tampa Rabbinical Association	5 7:45P Shabbat Svc	6 10:00A Zach Meyers Bar Mitzvah		
7 8:30A Temple Spruce Up 10:00A RS Teacher in-service/mtg 12:30P Selichot Play Read Thru	8 6:30 Lifelong Learning 7:30P Board Meeting	9 7:30P Ritual Committee	10 6:15P Hebrew School 6:30P BESTY 6:30P Fundraising Comm.	11 7:45P Shabbat Svc	12 7:45P Shabbat Svc	13 10:00A Zach Meyers Bar Mitzvah	
14 9:30A Open House 12:00P Confirmation/TYG Kick Off 	15 7:00P Life Learn Israel Language	16 6:15P Hebrew School 6:30P BESTY 6:30P Fundraising Comm.	17 6:15P Hebrew School 6:30P BESTY 6:30P Fundraising Comm.	18 7:45P Shabbat Svc: Simcha	19 7:45P Shabbat Svc	20 10:00A 7th Grade Shabbaton	
21 9:30A RS: Pancake Welcome Back	22 7:30P Exec. Comm Mtg	23 6:15P Hebrew School 6:30P BESTY 6:30P Fundraising Comm.	24 6:15P Hebrew School 6:30P BESTY 6:30P Fundraising Comm.	25 7:45P Shabbat Svc	26 7:45P Shabbat Svc	27 10:00A 7th Grade Shabbaton	
28 9:30A RS 9:45A Torah Tots	29 7:30P Exec. Comm Mtg	30 6:15P Hebrew School 7:30P Ritual Committee	31 6:15P Hebrew School 7:30P Ritual Committee	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Calendar is subject to change. Please check with the Temple Office if you are planning an event or meeting. A live, online calendar is also available 24/7 at www.bethshalom-brandon.org</p> </div>			

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