

# The Kibbitzer

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## From the Rabbi

### *Why do we do Yizkor?*

Elie Wiesel wrote of his first trip back to his home village of Sighet, where almost no Jews were left: "I met a Jew, one of the rare survivors, and we walked through the cemetery of Sighet. 'To be a Jew,' I asked, 'what does it mean to you? Does it mean turning your heart into a cemetery? 'No,' my companion said. 'The heart of a man is a sanctuary... To be a Jew is to fill the sanctuary with light, without betraying the cemetery.'" (Rabbi David Stern in *Yizkor: Memory and Memorializing in Judaism*, ed. Rabbi Lawrence A. Hoffman)



What a beautiful and perfect description of *Yizkor*, the memorial service that takes place on key Jewish festivals, most notably for us, on Yom Kippur. We fill the sanctuary—the walls of our building, our own hearts, and our own lives—with light; with our commitment to the rituals of our tradition, with a love that is stronger than death, with our dedication to honor the past in the names we pass on to our children, in the *tzedakah* we give in memory, in the values we inherit and exhibit. In embracing the lives we have been given, the foundations of which generations of our family have laid for us, we fill the sanctuary with light. We live fully – without betraying the cemetery.

Why on Yom Kippur, this holiest of days? On a day in which we evaluate who we are and who we wish to become – how can we not remember those who came before us? Parents, spouses, siblings, children, friends who live no longer... all of their lives are intertwined with ours, have shaped us and molded us. The act of memory that is at the heart of *yizkor* is especially poignant on a day in which we are acutely aware of our own mortality, our own frailty.

### *How do we do Yizkor?*

The expanded *Yizkor* prayers that are included in *Mishkan HaNefesh* reflect the diversity of our relationships with music of consolation, words of healing, and moments of silence. We will, of course, read the names submitted to be in the *yizkor* book. In addition, I invite you once again to submit a memory of a loved one on a *yizkor* card. A teaching, a moment of humor, the advice she "always" gave, the precious memory you hold dear. In interweaving these words (anonymously) we strengthen our bonds with the real people whom we remember, and invite them to be fully present in our midst through the blessing of memory. There are other ways to honor those you remember: through purchasing a *yahrtzeit* plaque, dedicating a prayer book in their honor, or giving *tzedakah* in their name, you engage in sacred acts honoring your loved ones.

### *And what happens after Yizkor?*

Beth Shalom has begun to look seriously at the question of a congregational cemetery – a place where our members and their families – can be laid to rest with dignity in a Jewish setting. Traditionally one of the first things that Jewish communities see to, it demands our attention. As we commit to the annual ritual of the *yizkor* service on Yom Kippur, so must we commit to a place for our loved ones to be buried, a place that will remain for generations to come. If you are interested in learning more, or wish to discuss arrangements for yourself or your family members, please be in touch with me.

*Michael, Gideon, Aaron and Hannah join me in wishing all of you a Shanah Tovah U'Metukah – A year of sweetness, blessing and joy.*

Complete Schedule of High Holy Day services is on page 2!

## From the President - Jeff Newman

### The Worry Gene

This is the last of my four-part series about my grandparents' wisdom.

My mom's dad, Grandpa Max, was a very kind and warm individual. I fondly remember long walks along East River Drive eating frozen Milky Way bars and watching his beloved Mets. He also gave me my biggest obstacle in life: the dreaded worry gene.



For the 30 percent of you who have the same tendency, you know what life is – the constant concern, dread of the unknown, and hypothesizing all the possible outcomes. I had to learn how to “just do it” and not to be overly concerned about the “ifs.” I have had to steady my nerves and keep on walking forward. It is not easy.

Why bring this up? From this I got a tremendous gift from which our temple family can learn—**EMPATHY FOR OTHERS**.

We all have our quirks and issues as humans. Just like I worry too much; we have addictions, bad behaviors, phobias, and other anxieties in our temple. We all have something that is “not normal.” We all struggle with life so we should be tolerant and have empathy for others. Why be critical, intolerant and negative when everyone is doing the best they can. Be understanding of people's struggle.

Our temple family is here to give all a spiritual and emotional hug. The Jewish people have always struggled collectively and individually. Being kind, compassionate and understanding of others is a value CBS will continually strive for. I know I do. The worry gene has taught me to understand other's angst.

As of this writing, the Mets are in first. My grandpa is not happy – he is chewing his nails concerned about every inning and the bad calls from the umpire. I hope he knows we have instant replay now.

**OUR FUTURE IS BRIGHT,  
and  
THE FUTURE IS YOU!**

## High Holy Days Programming



### Selichot

Selichot Service: Sat. Sept. 5, 7 p.m.

### Rosh Hashanah

Erev Rosh Hashanah: Sun. Sept. 13, 8 p.m.

Rosh Hashanah Morning Service: Mon. Sept. 14, 10 a.m.

Tashlich Service: Mon. Sept. 14 following morning service

Children's Service: Mon. Sept. 14, 4 p.m.

Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day: Tues. Sept. 15, 10 a.m.  
(Followed by Pancake Breakfast)

Memorial Service, Sun. Sept. 20, 10 a.m.  
(Hillsboro Memorial Gardens)

### Yom Kippur

Kol Nidre: Tues. Sept. 22, 8 p.m.

Yom Kippur Morning: Wed. Sept 23, 10 a.m.

Study Session: Wed. Sept 23 Following morning service

Children's Service: Wed. Sept 23, 2:30 p.m.

Yom Kippur Afternoon: Wed. Sept 23, 4 p.m.

Yizkor Memorial Service: Wed. Sept 23, 5:45 p.m.\*

Ne'ilah Conclusion: Wed. Sept 23, 6:30 p.m.\*

Break the Fast: Wed. Sept 23, 7:15 p.m.\*

\* Start times are approximate.



Note: The Temple office will be closed September 14-15 for Rosh Hashanah, and on September 23 for Yom Kippur.

**Congregation Beth Shalom provides a meaningful spiritual home for people of all ages and levels of knowledge, a place to learn and to question, a place to worship and to celebrate, and a place to find a community that cares. We offer:**

- ✧ **Friday worship services at 7:45 PM**
- ✧ **Religious school pre-kindergarten through tenth grade**
- ✧ **Complete B'nai Mitzvah preparation**
- ✧ **Youth group programming**
- ✧ **Adult Education classes**
- ✧ **Community-wide events, including Mitzvah Day**



## September Dates to Remember

- **Saturday, September 5, 7:00PM—Selichot Play & Service**
- **Saturday, September 12, Parents Night Out**
- **Friday, September 18, 7:45PM—I am Jewish Panel & Simcha Shabbat**
- **Monday, September 21, 6:00PM— Page Turners**
- **Tuesday, September 24, 6:00PM— Dinner with the Tribe**
- **Saturday, September 26, 4:00PM - Raise the Sukkah**
- **Sunday, September 27**  
**9:45AM - Torah Tots Service**, followed by snack and an art project.  
**6:00PM - A Taste of Sukkot**
- **Wednesday, September 30, 6:15PM— Sukkot Under the Stars**

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

## September 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 September.

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|--------------|---|
| September 4  | Joan Frankel in honor of <b>[what?]</b>                       |
| September 11 | Sheila and Errol Fishman as a Temple Mitzvah.                 |
| September 18 | Carol Wagner in memory of Gertrude and Philip Sklar (parents) |
| September 25 | Toby Koch and Alan Weiss in honor of Alan's birthday.         |

### SIGN UP TO SPONSOR AN ONEG!

Contact Judith Pliner at (813) 436-0080 or email her at [gp@pliner-inc.com](mailto:gp@pliner-inc.com) if you are interested in hosting an Oneg. Thanks to everyone who is helping out with the Onegs in September and in the upcoming months.

Your Oneg Committee,  
 Anna Feldman, Judith Pliner, Anita Hoffman  
 and Melissa Villasin



## Shabbat Shuvah "I am Jewish" Panel

**Friday, September 18, 7:45 p.m.**

"I am Jewish"—these were the last words of *Wall Street Journalist* Daniel Pearl, who was brutally murdered in Pakistan in 2002. His parents have edited a collection of essays on Jewish identity, entitled "I am Jewish."

For many years, on Shabbat Shuvah (the special Shabbat between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur), CBS has invited several congregants to reflect on what the words "I am Jewish" mean to them. This year's panelists will be Seth Dugan, Renate Greenfield and Vickie Goldberg.



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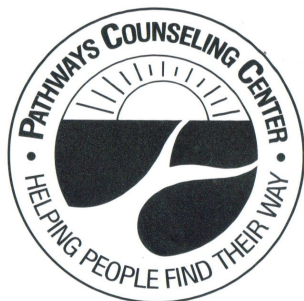
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## THANK YOU'S

- Thank you to the Glassman family for a donation of a handmade challah cover in honor of their son's baby naming.
- Thank you to Gail & Michael Verlin for their help with our High Holy Day mailings.
- Thank you to Keren Vergon for her help with our honors mailings.
- Thank you to the Rieger Family and to Rob Northrop for recent donations to the library.

## MAZELS

- Mazel Tov to Kevin & Christina Frye on the birth of their grandson, Brantly Scott Shepherd. Brantly was born to parents, Brandon & Kelsey Shepherd on Aug 21.

## KUDOS

- Kudos to Phyllis Newman and the Membership Committee for putting together a successful Open House!

*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](mailto:cbs-admin@hotmail.com).*



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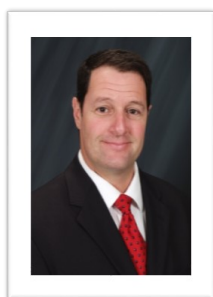
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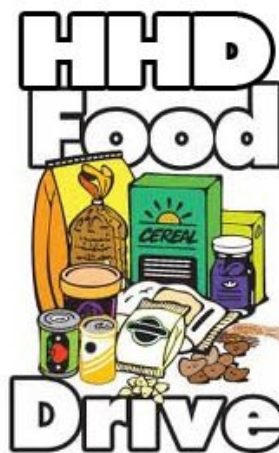
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## Come build the Sukkah!

**Saturday, September 26, 2015 at 4:00pm**

Followed by Havdalah

## A Taste of Sukkot

**Sunday, September 27, 6:00pm**

A Brief Service followed by an

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Have you ever wondered why the music of the High Holy Days sounds different from our Shabbat melodies? I know this question is often posed. *Why doesn't the choir or cantor sing the Barechu, the Shema, the MiChamocha and other sacred texts the way we do on Friday evenings?*

Cantor Kay Greenwald, Director of Placement for the American Conference of Cantors puts a good slant on this question in her article, [Why Is The Music Different During the High Holidays?](#)

She says that the reason has much to do with our diaspora. When Jews left their homelands and migrated elsewhere, they took what possessions they could. One of their greatest possessions was their vocal music, music that was significant for days of the week, Shabbat and Holy Days.

These melodies were called Missinai, 'from Sinai.' These Missinai tunes can be traced to the eleventh through the fifteenth centuries. We have records of them. As she states, "These melodies are considered to be among our people's most sacred possessions, so the time to use them would be most appropriate and powerful during the most sacred time of the year... These melodies evoke something different than our regular Shabbat worship. They evoke remembrances of ages past, of wonder at the mysteries of the universe, of lives lived and lost – heroically – in utter faith and devotion to our people and to our God... Through this music we preserve our people's history and our spiritual legacy."

The rabbis from the second century onward believed the world was a miracle constantly unfolding. They also believed that the singing voice was intrinsically holy, holy because it comes from breath. And where does breath come from? Breath comes from God.

May we too use our breath in the songs of our people, past and present. May we use our voices to lift our spirits, and to celebrate God's Presence in our lives, in the life of Israel and in the life of the whole world.

L'Shanah Tovah.

Joan E. Frankel



## Pancake Brunch! Tuesday, September 15, 2015 / 2 Tishrei 5776

Please join the Ritual committee and congregants after second day Rosh Hashanah services for brunch! Eat, chat, and reflect during this holiday season. For more information, to volunteer or to contribute a brunch item please contact Steve Slavkin at [sslavkin50@gmail.com](mailto:sslavkin50@gmail.com)

## Lifelong Learning—Sheila Fishman

During the weekend of October 16, the Lifelong Learning Committee will be presenting Rabbi Deborah R. Prinz to our congregation as part of the Scholar in Residence program.



Rabbi Prinz's book, *On the Chocolate Trail: A Delicious Adventure Connecting Jews, Religions, History, Travel, Rituals and Recipes to the Magic of Cacao*, was published in 2013 by Jewish Lights and is already in its third printing. Rabbi Prinz lectures about chocolate and religion around the world. The book is being used in adult study, classroom settings, book clubs and chocolate tastings. Prinz blogs at [Jews-OnTheChocolateTrail.org](http://Jews-OnTheChocolateTrail.org), The Huffington Post and The Jew and the Carrot. This project stirs age-old passions for chocolate and religion using information gathered from travel in several countries, including Belgium, Egypt, England, France, Israel, Italy, Mexico, Spain, Switzerland and the United States. It spans several cultures, countries, centuries, and religions, exploring how faith traditions share consumption, ritual and business interests in chocolate.

Programming for the event includes the following:

### Friday Night, October 16 at 7:45 p.m.

North American Colonial Traders Dip into Chocolate: The Gomez and Lopez Stories

In Colonial North America Sephardi refugee merchants such as Aaron Lopez in Newport Rhode Island, the Gomez family in New York, and others dipped deeply into trading, retailing and processing of chocolate

### Saturday, October 17 at 10:00 a.m.

What is the Best Chocolate: Our Jewish Values

This discussion focuses on our Jewish choices in our chocolate purchases. A look at criteria for purchasing the best chocolate from several perspectives, including sustainability and fair labor practices.

### Saturday, October 17 at noon

A catered lunch for all sponsors with Rabbi Prinz

### Saturday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Jews on the Chocolate Trail-Cost is \$20 per person

Treat yourself to a presentation on Jews on the Chocolate Trail, followed by a wine reception and chocolate tasting. Proceeds support programming at Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon. Come in a festive attire and with a festive attitude.

This evening's talk about Jews and chocolate melds an enjoyment of chocolate with an exploration of chocolate's worldwide Jewish narratives and rituals, unwrapping tantalizing new themes. Delight your mind and your taste buds as this talk unscrambles this Jewish chocolate trail spanning several centuries and countries. This story reflects the resourcefulness and resilience of these Jewish chocolate makers and lovers.

### Scholar in Residence Sponsorship Opportunities

You have an opportunity to support the Scholar in Residence event as a sponsor. Suggested Donation Levels:

#### Contributor \$40

Donor name will appear in the program booklet and an invitation will be extended to the luncheon following Shabbat worship services on October 17 in Rabbi Prinz's honor.

#### Donor \$80

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#### Supporter \$150

Donor name will appear in the program booklet and an invitation for two will be extended to the luncheon following Shabbat worship services on October 17 in Rabbi Prinz's honor. Donor will also receive two tickets to the wine reception and chocolate tasting.

#### Pillar \$350 and up

Donor name will appear in the program booklet and an invitation for two will be extended to the luncheon following Shabbat worship services on October 17 in Rabbi Prinz's honor. Donor will also receive two tickets to the wine reception and chocolate tasting, and a copy of Rabbi Prinz's book "Jews on the Chocolate Trail."

Checks may be made payable to Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon and should be mailed to 706 Bryan Road, Brandon FL 33511. Please indicate that this donation is for the Scholar-in-Residence program. Checks should be received no later than **October 5, 2015**, for publication in our weekend brochure.



*Scholar*  
IN RESIDENCE



## Education - Amy Weinstein

Welcome to a new school year! I am very excited to introduce our dedicated teaching staff:

K/1- Melissa Villasin  
2/3- Adam Weinstein  
4/5- Justin Shaw  
6- Lauren Weisman  
7- Dan Weinstein  
Music- Joan Frankel  
Wednesday Hebrew- Rebecca Smith

In addition, we have several teens that have committed to work with our students and teachers weekly. We are grateful for the assistance they provide.

This year we will be continuing our multi grade Family Shabbat Services. Please look at our calendar and plan to attend these family friendly services. Each grade level has an opportunity for families to study with the Rabbi. During these family programs that run during religious school times, we ask that each child have at least one parent in attendance. Mark your calendars now so you do not miss out on this exciting morning of learning. Along with our weekly classes, we have programming planned that focuses on holidays, Judaic themes and Hebrew acquisition. Some of the programs are developed by Karen Blanchard, and others involve planning through The Tampa Jewish Educators Council. This year our 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders will have an opportunity to learn with peers from temples around the Tampa Bay area.

As you may know, class runs Sunday 9:30 a.m.-noon for all students. Our 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders also attend on Wednesdays 6:15-7:45 p.m. As we begin this year, please reference our calendar and make every attempt to have your child at school and on time. Our Judaic curriculum builds upon past lessons. If a student has multiple absences, it will result in gaps in his or her Jewish Education. I know the struggle of time constraints as you juggle religious school with school projects, exams, and extra curriculum activities. You have made the commitment to religious education as an important part of your child's life. We don't take this for granted. We are thankful for your confidence in our abilities and pledge to make the time they have with us as rewarding and meaningful as possible.

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](mailto:awine007@msn.com) (813)685-7064



September 12th 6:00—9:00pm

\$18 for one child, \$9 per additional children.

Snacks provided!

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## Important September Dates



9/2- Hebrew Class and Confirmation Begins  
9/6- no class (Labor Day Weekend)  
9/13- no class (Rosh Hashanah)  
9/23-no class (Yom Kippur)  
9/30- Sukkot Under The Stars

## BeSTY BEAT



### BeSTY Calendar:

Fall Kallah (grades 9 - 12)	October 9 - 11 (Congregation for Reform Judaism - Orlando, FL)
Winter Kallah (grades 9 - 12)	December 26 - 30 (Orlando Marriott Airport - Orlando, FL)
Hatikvah Kallah (grades 6, 7, 8)	January 29 - 31, 2016 (Temple Dor Dorim - Weston, FL)
Spring Kallah (grades 9 - 12)	March 4-6, Camp Geneva in Fruitland, FL
LLTI (elected officers)	April 8 - 10, 2016 (Temple B'nai Israel - Clearwater, FL)



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## PreSchool Events

\* **Sunday, September 27, 9:45-10:30AM—Torah Tots**

**Meet in the Sukkah!**


Topic: God is Everywhere - In the Sukkah

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**Memorial Service**  
**Hillsborough Memorial Garden**  
**Sunday, September 20, 10AM**

During this holy period it is traditional to remember our loved ones who have died. If you have a loved one buried in Hillsborough Memorial Gardens or if you would like to remember someone who has died but is buried elsewhere, join us for this brief memorial service. Hillsboro Memorial Gardens will host a light brunch following the service.



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Condolences to the Miller Family for the  
recent passing of Eric's father

## MitzvahDay make your mark



The Social Action Committee had its first official meeting on August 10, and had a

wonderful turnout of eager, knowledgeable congregants. We discussed **Mitzvah Day, which will take place on Sunday, November 15**, along with other possible community action activities.

Mitzvah Day projects should be family-friendly so that members of all ages can participate with their parents in helping our community.

As many of you may have noticed, there are plastic bins at the temple being filled with donations of small toiletries. These items will be placed in zip lock CARE BAGS and given out to any congregant interested in having something on hand to offer a homeless or needy person that we may across in our daily lives. How many times have you stopped at a red light and seen this type of person and wished you had something to give them? Now you do.

As time goes on and we become more organized with possible social action projects including helping with a community garden, food banks, Special Olympics, Bone Marrow matching or serving Christmas dinner (to name a few), I hope to see greater interest in those seeking to volunteer their efforts. Even one or two volunteer commitments can make a difference in our in the community, our spirit as a congregation and most importantly in your own lives. Please contact me at [marlasmith914@gmail.com](mailto:marlasmith914@gmail.com) if you'd like to be a helping hand to the committee and lend your own ideas. —Marla Smith

**MITZVAH DAY IS NOVEMBER 15TH**

### Jump Down Turn Around Fill up a Bin with Toiletries

The Social Action Committee has placed a plastic bin in the hallway for our congregants to help fill with small toiletries and small bottles of water for our CARE bags. The toiletries are the size of those you get in hotels (hint hint), or a little larger. These may include shampoo, soap, skin cream, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, sanitary items etc. We are also collecting small bottles of water, small bags of peanuts, peanut butter crackers. Start contributing now and help us make this project a success. This would be a great way to get your kids involved. Give them a few items to place in the bins each Sunday when they come in for school. They'll love watching the bins fill up and know that they helped.



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Anita Hoffman,  
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Please join us for an evening of fun! Bring a  
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Place: CBS Date: Sept. 21 Time: 6:30PM

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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.
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- **Endowment Fund:** Gifts to this fund are placed in an investment account and temporarily restricted or can be defined/restricted by the donor. This fund ensures the future of our temple.
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- **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:** a fund for assistance to families in need, scholarship assistance, interfaith council, Holocaust museum and other endeavors at the Rabbi's discretion.

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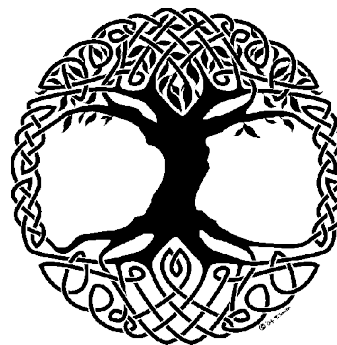
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## Anniversaries

|      |                   |         |
|------|-------------------|---------|
| 9/5  | Shayna & Jonathan | Singer  |
| 9/7  | Jeff & Sara       | Goodman |
| 9/9  | Brian & Arlene    | Slater  |
| 9/14 | Michael & Tammie  | Hebert  |

## Yahrzeits



|      |                    |               |               |    |                |                   |
|------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|----|----------------|-------------------|
| 9/1  | Raymond            | Sperry        | Father        | of | Bruce          | Sperry            |
| 9/1  | Dr. Lewis          | Bolnick       | Father        | of | Jay            | Bolnick           |
| 9/2  | Carl               | Miller        | Father        | of | Sheryl         | Finke             |
| 9/2  | Heinz              | Segall        | Grandfather   | of | Laurie         | Noyes             |
| 9/4  | Ben                | Lasky         | Grandfather   | of | Michelle       | Dempsey           |
| 9/6  | Ruth               | Hans          | Grandmother   | of | Michael        | Davis             |
| 9/8  | Goldie             | Task          | Mother        | of | Ethel          | Feinstein         |
| 9/9  | Louis              | Green         | Step Father   | of | Carolyn        | Miller            |
| 9/10 | Lenore             | Ber           | Mother        | of | Jill           | Oppolo            |
| 9/11 | Rose               | Skop          | Grandmother   | of | Nancy          | Landfish          |
| 9/12 | John               | Grimm         | Husband       | of | Blossom        | Grimm Silverstein |
| 9/14 | Dorothy S.         | Goldstein     | Mother        | of | Judith         | Pliner            |
| 9/14 | Aaron              | Mart          | Son           | of | Donna and Hank | Mart              |
| 9/15 | Pauline            | Magdovitz     | Mother in Law | of | Caren          | Magdovitz         |
| 9/15 | Morris             | Brandwein     | father        | of | Anita          | Clifford          |
| 9/16 | Sally              | Gaba          | Grandmother   | of | Leslie         | Boyar             |
| 9/16 | Louis              | Kaplan        | father        | of | Janice         | Perelman          |
| 9/16 | Becky              | Smith         | Grandmother   | of | Lynn           | Kaler             |
| 9/17 | Renee              | Furman        | Sister-in-Law | of | Eunice         | Rifkin            |
| 9/17 | Murray             | Siegel        | Grandfather   | of | Eric           | Miller            |
| 9/18 | Herb               | Goldberg      | Husband       | of | Ruth           | Goldberg          |
| 9/18 | Sharon             | Leibowitz     | Sister        | of | Gail           | Verlin            |
| 9/18 | Dorothy            | Brown         | Mother        | of | Stephen        | Zweibach          |
| 9/21 | Stephen            | Davis         | Father        | of | Michael        | Davis             |
| 9/23 | Adolph             | Reisner       | Uncle         | of | Gary           | Ronay             |
| 9/23 | Helen              | Reisner       | Aunt          | of | Gary           | Ronay             |
| 9/23 | Charles            | Moss          | Grandfather   | of | Hank           | Mart              |
| 9/23 | Antal              | Reisner       | Uncle         | of | Gary           | Ronay             |
| 9/24 | Jack               | Kaler         | Father        | of | Larry          | Kaler             |
| 9/24 | Michael            | Ronay Reisner | Father        | of | Gary           | Ronay             |
| 9/24 | Frieda             | Moravnick     | Mother        | of | Eunice         | Rifkin            |
| 9/24 | Regina             | Metzl         | Grandmother   | of | Bill           | Kalbas            |
| 9/24 | Rose               | Glickman      | Grandmother   | of | Betsy          | Glickman          |
| 9/25 | Michail Borisovich | Freydin       | Grandfather   | of | Anna           | Moneymaker        |
| 9/25 | Rabbi Karl         | Richter       | Father        | of | David          | Richter           |
| 9/26 | Eugene             | Zazulia       | Grandfather   | of | Iylene         | Miller            |
| 9/29 | Ruth               | Newman        | Mother        | of | Milton         | Newman            |
| 9/30 | Arnold             | Hans          | Uncle         | of | Michael        | Davis             |



## Birthdays

|      |                |            |
|------|----------------|------------|
| 9/1  | Seth           | Dugan      |
| 9/2  | Rachael        | Andrews    |
| 9/2  | Aurora Glory   | Oldman     |
| 9/3  | Joan           | Frankel    |
| 9/3  | Elise          | Berman     |
| 9/4  | Hank           | Mart       |
| 9/6  | Landri Raine   | Ellis      |
| 9/6  | Brady          | Garbett    |
| 9/6  | Stephen        | Zweibach   |
| 9/6  | Landon         | Holschauer |
| 9/8  | Kari           | Brown      |
| 9/9  | Tatiana Leah   | Gerscovich |
| 9/10 | Alyssa         | Schiller   |
| 9/10 | Truman         | Sukloff    |
| 9/10 | Danielle       | Miller     |
| 9/10 | Allyson        | Peterson   |
| 9/13 | Lisa           | Murray     |
| 9/13 | Kenneth        | Posner     |
| 9/13 | Jacob          | Neuman     |
| 9/14 | Marla          | Smith      |
| 9/15 | Gabriel        | Lifschitz  |
| 9/16 | Joel           | Magdovitz  |
| 9/16 | Emily          | Sukloff    |
| 9/16 | Abby           | Provenzano |
| 9/17 | Jack           | Dempsey    |
| 9/17 | Anna           | Moneymaker |
| 9/18 | Brielle        | Zweibach   |
| 9/21 | Christine      | Stockelman |
| 9/22 | Adam           | Cohen      |
| 9/23 | Matthew        | Halperin   |
| 9/23 | Lillian Rachel | Moneymaker |
| 9/23 | Nathan         | Powell     |
| 9/23 | Steve          | Slavkin    |
| 9/23 | Max            | Newman     |
| 9/25 | Eric           | Miller     |
| 9/26 | Evan           | Hahn       |
| 9/26 | Zachary        | Hebert     |
| 9/26 | Tammie         | Hebert     |
| 9/28 | Alan           | Weiss      |
| 9/28 | Donna          | Mart       |
| 9/29 | Janice         | Perelman   |

The dates listed for the Yahrzeits are adjusted yearly according to the Jewish Calendar and may not necessarily coincide with the actual date of death. Names are read for Kaddish at the Shabbat before the actual date. If you would like to have the actual date listed, please contact the temple office at 681-6547.

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| Sun                                                                                        | Mon                                                                                             | Tue                                                                              | Wed                                                                                                                     | Thu                         | Fri                                                                    | Sat                                         |
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|                                                                                            |                                                                                                 | 1                                                                                | 2                                                                                                                       | 3                           | 4                                                                      | 5 SELICHOT<br>7:00P Selichot Play & Service |
| 6<br>NO RS                                                                                 | 7<br>LABOR DAY                                                                                  | 8<br>6:15P Life. Learn. Comm.<br>7:30P Board Mtg.<br>7:30P Choir RH/YK           | 9<br>6:15P Hebrew School<br>7:30P Ritual Committee                                                                      | 10<br>7:30P Choir RH/YK     | 11<br>Kibbitzer Deadline<br>7:45 P Shabbat Service                     | 12<br>6:00P Parents Night Out               |
| 13<br>EREV ROSH<br>HASHANAH<br>NO RS<br>8:00P Erev RH Svc/Choir                            | 14<br>ROSH HASHANAH<br>I<br>10:00A RH I Service /<br>Tashlich to follow<br>4:00P Family Service | 15<br>ROSH HASHANAH<br>II<br>10:00A RHII Service fol-<br>lowed by pancake brunch | 16<br>6:15P Hebrew School<br>6:30P Confirmation Class                                                                   | 17<br>7:30P Choir RH/YK     | 18<br>7:45 P Shabbat Shuvah<br>(I Am Jewish Panel) /<br>Simcha Shabbat | 19                                          |
| 20<br>9:30A RS<br>10:00A Memorial Svc at<br>Hillsboro Mem.Gardens<br>4:00 BESTY Board      | 21<br>6:00P PageTurners<br>7:30P Choir RH/YK                                                    | 22<br>EREV YOM KIPPUR<br>8:00P Kol Nidrei                                        | 23<br>YOM KIPPUR<br>10:00AM YK Study/Choir<br>Family Service<br>Afternoon Service<br>Yizkor<br>N'ilah<br>Break the Fast | 24<br>Dinner with the Tribe | 25<br>7:45 P Shabbat Service                                           | 26<br>4:00 Havdalah<br>Raise the Sukkah     |
| 27<br>EREV SUKKOT<br>9:30A RS<br>9:45A RSPA<br>9:45A Torah Tots<br>6:00P A Taste of Sukkot | 28<br>SUKKOT                                                                                    | 29<br>SUKKOT<br>7:30P Exec. Comm. Mtg.                                           | 30<br>SUKKOT<br>6:15P Sukkot Under the Stars                                                                            |                             |                                                                        |                                             |



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