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Shavuot 2014 - June 3 thru 5

Tuesday, June 3
A night of study
including clergy, music, storytelling,
and the Blintz Bar!





Temple Beth El Annual Meeting - 6:30 pm Service - 8:00 pm

Blintzes - 9:00 pm

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Study Sessions - 10:00 pm until...
Teaching, Presentations, Songs & Coffee

Wednesday, June 4

Yoga - 7:00 am Breakfast - 8:00 am Services - 9:00 am Shavuot & Keshet Blessings - 5:15 pm





Services - 9:00 am

Kiddush Luncheon & Ice Cream Social to follow Sponsored by the Weintraub Memorial Family Holiday Program Fund in memory of Irving & Shirley Weintraub

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Shacharit:

Sunday: 8:30 am Monday-Friday: 7:30 am Rosh Hodesh: 7:15 am Shabbat 9:00 am Secular Holidays 8:30 am

Mincha/Ma'ariv:

Sunday-Friday 6:00 pm

Temple Beth El

Mission Statement

Temple Beth El is a vibrant and inclusive community of Jews who join together for prayer, education, celebration, mutual support and comfort, tikkun olam and acts of loving kindness. We are guided by Torah and the principles of the Conservative movement. We are committed to our community, the State of Israel, and Jews around the world.

Vision Statement

Our vision is that Temple Beth El will be an inspiring center of Conservative Judaism in which meaningful experiences and memories take root and grow.

Values Statement

We are a welcoming and inclusive congregation.

We value and respect each congregant and his or her personal journey in Judaism.

We foster a sense of connectedness with our community.

We value participation in all aspects of synagogue and Jewish life.

Our congregation will be here for the entire Temple family now and for future generations.

Welcome to our house.

FROM THE DESK OF THE SENIOR RABBI



Since Father's Day began in 1910 in Washington State, people have been giving cards, neckties, and (kosher) steak dinners to dads. It has also been a time when we reflect on our fathers and how they have shaped our lives. I think I had one of a kind. He was an exceptional individual, intelligent, fair and my mother's greatest love. In my family we all waited to hear

from him. His point of view and analysis on a variety of subjects was deep and comprehensive. And he often elicited our opinions and wanting to know about our lives.

On a lighter note, it is hard to forget Jackie Mason's stand-ups about fathers, "I'm the boss, and your mother is just the decision-maker." In essence, neither personality trait nor joke can accurately describe the men who have faced the challenge of balancing career, family, and the pressures of modernity which demand the attainment of success.

Father's Day is a welcome addition to the calendar. True, we do not need a special day for the purpose of simpering sentimentality over "dear old dad." But we do need to recognize his responsibility and restore his authority.

Men who are fathers may also be successful captains of industry, wizards of finance and skilled in every profession and trade or stay at home dads. Why are there so many fatherly failures?

I suggest two reasons. One arises from the circumstances of modern life, which compel fathers to spend much time away from their homes and families. The other is the all too human tendency to shirk one's duty if there is someone else available to do it - in this case, the mother.

Father's Day ought to be a time for thinking seriously about what it means to be a father. What we do and how we do it while raising our children will influence them for many years to come.

I offer two guides to parenting. One comes from an advertisement in a magazine and the other from the Talmud. The old advertisement depicts a little girl drawing a picture and underneath the caption reads: "What your children will see of the world depends upon what you show them - so fly Delta."

I believe that ad is truer than its writer may have realized. A parent, very simply, is the guide who shows his/her child how to see the world and thus gives to that child the first impressions and perspectives of what the world is all about. Will our child think the world is an arena of constant struggle in which it is every person for himself/herself, or will he or she see it as a place to live and love and grow?

What exactly do we owe our children? The Talmud provides a list of the obligations fathers and mothers have to their children. The following is selected from that list.

"A parent is obligated to bring his child into the Covenant," which means to give him/ her a sense of who he/she is and where he/she comes from and what he/she stands for. To feel the reverence of God, the joy of Shabbat and Jewish holidays and to experience the richness and the fullness of the Jewish heritage should be the Covenant of parental response.

"A parent is obligated to help his child marry." I would extend this obligation to also include teaching our children how to be married, how to be a good husband/wife/partner, how to communicate, how to speak with love and never with anger, how to truly listen.

What does it mean to be a father? Fatherhood, biologically, involves minimal dedication that challenges parental devotion. It is civilization and the spiritual values that are the core of the civilization. The former helps produce a child. The latter helps produce an adult.

The Talmud asks: "Who takes priority, one's teacher or one's father?" A man finds a lost object of his father and a lost object of his teacher. "The teacher comes first. For his father only brings him into this world, while his teacher teaches him wisdom to bring him into this world to come." It is more important to be a mentor than a progenitor. As wonderful as it is to bring a child into this world, it is more important to give that child guidance, values, discipline, direction and love. True fathering is not a biological, but a spiritual act.

On Father's Day, we recognize that fathers are crucial to family life, that fathering is a distinctive domain of male activity, that to be a father is a sacred calling.

Over the centuries, the role of the father has changed. But the essential demand of his relationship does not change. Our Tradition teaches us that our commitment to the next generation is the source of the greatest blessings we can ever know.

B'Shalom,

Rabbi Leonardo Bitran

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



You may not recall, but when I started writing this column two years ago, it was the most worrisome part of my Presidency. I don't have terrific writing skills, my grammar leaves a lot to be desired and I was worried about finding interesting topics to write about. Surprisingly, I think writing this column has actually made me a better President. As I started each column, I would ask myself a single question. If I was a congregant, what was going on that I should know about? So once a month, I sat back and was able to look at the big picture of our Temple. I hope that the columns were informative and helpful. I appreciated all of your feedback, which was usually positive. And even if we didn't agree, at least the information was available and transparent. So as I sit here writing my last column, what do I

think you would want to know?

The most important issue facing the future of our Temple is one of community. While our Temple is a big building, the structure is not and should not be what defines us. The people who dwell inside, the friends we make, the relationships we foster, are the signs of a connected community. Whether it be through daily prayer, holiday services, life cycle events, holiday celebrations, adult learning opportunities, religious school, preschool, challah making or many of the other events we hold inside and outside of the building, a vibrant synagogue community is one of the strongest places to grow and foster our Jewish identity as a local, regional and international community. How we move forward to create the relationships that foster these ideals will be our defining challenge.

Our nominating committee has chosen the most capable leader I could think of to move us forward. Dan Glowinsky is one of the most thoughtful, energetic and spiritual people that I know. I have been grateful that he has been our VP for the last two years. I have the utmost confidence in the next Officer team. I want to thank Lisa Silverstein and Caroline Korn, who have worked tirelessly and will continue on as Vice Presidents. I will miss working with Dan Goldstein (Treasurer) and Justin Goldman (Secretary). They have been incredibly thoughtful and challenging so that our Temple stays on track. They are both stepping down as Officers, but we can look forward to their input, as they will both remain on the Board of Trustees. I want to thank our Immediate Past President, Elyse Gilman, for her guidance and support during the last two years. Marc Haas will be continuing as Finance Chair and becoming our Treasurer. Seth Charatz will be our new Secretary and Leslie Crane our Assistant Secretary. I have great confidence that they will excel in their new roles.

The second Monday of the month has typically been one of the most interesting evenings. The monthly Board of Trustees meetings were sometimes a lesson in humility. Just when I think I have figured out this large group of extraordinarily dedicated, hard working and honorable men and women, I realize that I have overestimated my knowledge. I may think I know the best direction to follow, but I occasionally find that they have a different and often better approach. They are an incredible group to work with. They take great pride in their role as Trustees and are willing to voice their opinions. They are respectful with disagreements and allow and encourage difficult discussions. As a Temple, we are fortunate to have so many wonderful people that take such pride in our synagogue.

In addition, the Temple Beth El Foundation, chaired by Jay Birnbaum, is a tremendous asset to our Synagogue. The Foundation's core mission is to support the education of our youth. With Jay Birnbaum and Sara Ressler co-chairing our major 2016 Centennial fundraising, increasing the assets of the Foundation is critically important to ensure the financial success of our Temple. You will hear much more about the Centennial Campaign over the next few months. I hope you will join me in being counted as one who financially supports their mission.

Those are just a few examples of our dedicated volunteers. But so much work is done by so many. Our committee chairs and members, event committee members, Sisterhood and Men's clubs, office support volunteers, minyanaires, cooks and challah makers (I hope I am not leaving anyone out) provide thousands of hours of devotion to our Temple family. This place would not function without you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to offer a special thank you to all those who are willing to financially contribute more than the annual dues. From the many Pillars who selflessly give thousands of dollars, to the families who stepped up to help support Rabbi Freidson-King's first couple of years with us, to those who helped sponsor events such as the Rabbi's installation, capital purchases such as our new Channukiah and all the other things that enrich our Temple community, I cannot begin to express my sincere gratitude. We should all be grateful for the generosity of so many.

I have had the honor of working with an incredible staff. Our Executive Director, Debbie Zeger, is a true gem. She is beyond caring and selfless. She was born to be in this role. Her team of Bonnie Harris, Vee Nelson, Anna Eckert, Carol Konuksever and Collen Schaefer work tirelessly in the office to exceed your expectations. Our custodians, led by the wonderful Joe Samluk, keep our 50+ year-old building humming, shiny and spotless. Thank you to all of you.

As many of you know, our religious school is undergoing transformation. I want to thank our Education Director, Susan Bernstein for three years of very hard work. Her staff, including administrative assistant Michelle Caron and all of the teachers, deserve our appreciation and thanks. Two of the teachers, Tzippy Kleinberg (37 years at TBE) and Karen Fernandez (27 years at TBE), are retiring this year. They will be sorely missed and are irreplaceable. I wish them well in their future endeavors. Our Keshet preschool, which is run by Randi Fox Tabb, has been growing over the years. She is well loved by teachers, parents and children alike. She and her staff of terrific teachers do a tremendous job teaching Judaism to our youngest. We will continue to look for new and innovative ways to educate our youth.

And this brings me to our wonderful clergy. Welcoming Rabbi Bitran to our Temple, to co-officiate with Rabbi Freidson-King and Hazzan Leubitz, has resulted in a re-energizing of our congregation. Having the opportunity to work beside such dedicated and hardworking professionals is every President's hope. We are truly blessed to have three such amazing people in our community. Their camaraderie and energy is evident with everything they do. They bring their best every day, and for that I thank them.

Last, but certainly not least, I owe a great deal of thanks and love to my family. My wife and children have endured my endless absences and distractions. I cannot thank them enough for putting up with me these last two years.

Finally, I thank all of you for the honor to have served as your President. I hope you found my efforts worthy of your support. If you didn't already know, as Immediate Past President I remain a voting Officer for the next two years and Board member for life. You can't get rid of me that easily. I plan to take a bit of time off to go fishing (see picture at top of page), recharge my battery and come back raring to go. I sense that a new era has begun at Temple Beth El. I believe our best is yet to come. I am very excited for our future.

B'Shalom, Todd Stein President

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NOTES FROM OUR HAZZAN...

"Shalom Aleichem!"

We use it as a greeting and we sing it together on Friday evenings. The text,

itself, dates back to the late 16th or early 17th century, but the familiar melody only back to 1918 when it was composed by the American composer, Samuel E. Goldfarb and his brother Rabbi Israel Goldfarb, while sitting near the Alma Mater statue in front of Low Memorial Library at Columbia University. (Most people would guess that the melody is much older and that it was not an American composition!)

As far as the text is concerned, it is impossible to separate it from the well-known teaching in the Talmud which is that two angels accompany people on their way back home from synagogue on Friday night - a good angel and an evil angel. If the house has been prepared for Shabbat, the good angel says a blessing that the next Shabbat will be the same, and the evil angel is forced to respond "Amein". If the home is not prepared, then the evil angel expresses his wish that the next Shabbat will be the same, and the good angel is forced to respond "Amein".

The custom of singing Shalom Aleichem on Friday night before Kiddush is now nearly universal. However, throughout our history certain rabbinical authorities have expressed their displeasure. In the 18th century, the opinion of some was that it was inappropriate to address requests to angels. Other rabbis argued that it was also inappropriate to petition on the Sabbath. Further there was considerable discussion regarding the grammar of the hymn, specifically the use of the "mem" at the beginning of each line. It was felt that it was bad form in that the translation read, "angels for the Most High, <u>away from</u> the King who rules over kings." That particular rabbi therefore deleted the "mem". The deletion was only evident in a very small minority of prayer books.

I hope that you and your family will include the singing of Shalom Aleichem around your Shabbat table each and every Friday night. In the spirit of the hymn, I wish that your Shabbat observance is made all the richer by joining together in song and may that evil angel be forced to respond, "Amein"

Warmly, Hazzan Martin Leubitz

FROM THE DESK OF THE ASSOCIATE RABBI



The month of June brings with it warmer temperatures and a sense of freedom. The days are long; the possibilities of summer seem endless. It was a wonderful programming year

at Temple Beth El, a year of growth and accomplishments.

This past year, I have had the privilege of facilitating Sulam for Emerging Leaders, a leadership engagement initiative developed by the United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism (USCJ), with TBE member Michelle Marcus as my lay partner. Nine participants were engaged in meaningful conversations about the relevancy of Judaism to their lives, leveraging the insight and inspiration gained to inform their identities as Jewish leaders.

The Sulam program demonstrates how traditional texts and rituals combined with contemporary issues and leadership practices can provide a recipe for meaningful Jewish living and leading. The cornerstone of Sulam for Emerging Leaders is its ability to welcome participant's stories and connect them to the larger narrative of the Jewish people. Participants become more aware of vital conversations that connect their personal Jewish journey with their emerging Jewish leadership. When they emerge some will seek a seat at the leadership table and will challenge current leaders to ensure meaningful work that is worth their time.

Participant Megan Pheterson reflected, "Sulam for Emerging Leaders has helped me have more of a focus on what type of leader I want to become. It has helped me think outside the box. Most importantly, Sulam has reignited my passion for Temple leadership."

Over the course of seven sessions, our group has wrestled with Jewish texts, questioned the status quo, found spiritual meaning through our tradition, laughed, ate, debated, and bonded.

Howard Goldberg shared, "The Sulam program has definitely brought me closer to the warmth that IS the people of the Beth El community, from the first session with a group of diverse congregants who barely knew each other, to now as we have become quite open and comfortable with each other. The components of Jewish text study combined with the structured group discussions have brought forth many different perspectives from the group relating to and affirming the central importance of people and Jewish community."

Sulam for Emerging Leaders also contains a Shabbat dinner component. In January, all of the participants and their families joined together at Temple Beth El for Shabbat dinner. We had a blast! The food was terrific, the kids were running around and making friends, and the wine flowed. Next, participants hosted each other for Shabbat dinner. During the final stage, Sulam for Emerging Leaders members host other families for a Shabbat dinner.

As Sulam wraps up this month, its impact will reverberate in the lives of the participants and their families as well as in our community. Howard Goldberg added, "The key to the longevity of our ever changing Jewish community is motivating people and making all of us feel comfortable and empowered to be a part of the kehilla, and to keep us coming back despite barriers - that is the understanding I have gained from Sulam. I do feel there is more, though. That Sulam is just the beginning."

While this cohort of Sulam for Emerging Leaders is ending, a new cohort will begin in the late Fall or early Winter. If you are interested in learning more, please be in touch!

B'Shalom, Rabbi Sarah Freidson-King

Mazal Tov B'nei mitzvah

Jessica Ellen Gordon June 14, 2014

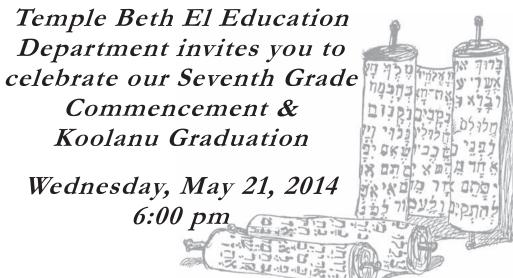
Daughter of: Catherine & Stuart Gordon

Sister of: Christina Curran

Granddaughter of: Lillian & Julian Gordon and Mary & Robert Curran

Jessica is a 7th grader at Twelve Corners Middle School. Jessica swims competitively. She was on the junior varsity and then varsity teams last fall at Brighton and she also swims for the PACK Swim Team of Pittsford in the off-season. She also enjoys spending time with her friends. Jessica is looking forward to celebrating her Bat Mitzvah with her family and friends.





Commencement Seventh Graders

Bonnie Comisar	Eliad Kane
Roei Dery	Daniel Kolodny
Lily Glaser	Jessica Sherin
Jessica Gordon	Rachel Sherin
Hillary Haas	Shira Silverstein
Alexander Harris	Reed Spindelman
Tanya Herrmann	Julia Stern
Ronnie Hollenberg	Zachary Tabachnikoff
Max Kalish	

With special thanks to our faculty:

Rabbi Bitran, Rabbi Freidson-King,
Hazzan Leubitz, J. Alderman, S. Asher, S. Bacman,
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Koolanu Graduates

Jared Dietz	Avi Presberg
Jacob Eckhaus	Lauren Reiner
Ilana Krill	Spencer Ressel
Josh Krill	Elena Rubin
Jenna Kuperberg	Bethany Sacks
Eliana Lande	Rachel Sacks
Gabi Lipschitz	Gillian Schmerl
Roslyn Menachof	Samantha Singer
Noah Meyers	Talia Smookler
Alexandra Morchower	Zach Smookler
Rebecca Orbach	Adam Stein

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Eliza Duberstein	Elyssa Steinberg
Michelle Hollenberg	Simona Zaretsky
Matan Presberg	Rachel Zeger











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We'll see you in September for year #12!

Many thanks to TBE for their support of our school. Children begin their Jewish education right here! Strong roots... strong trees!











Rabbi Freidson-King teaching Keshet kids about Yom Ha'atzmaut, Israel Independence Day.





Shavuot and Keshet Blessings
June 4, 2014
All Keshet families are invited

Please join us at **5:15 pm** for a brief and special Shavuot service and Keshet Preschool program

The Torah will be unrolled to read the 10 Commandments
Keshet kids will sing a few songs
All Keshet children will receive a special blessing
Light dinner and socializing

If good weather, we will be upstairs and outside in the beautiful Children's garden, followed by food inside in the Garden Room.

It would be lovely to have everyone with us! No cost! Just your presence would be priceless.

RSVP to Michelle Caron by May 27th mcaron@tberochester.org or 473-1190

Shavuot is a religious holiday, so there will be no picture taking.

Thank you!



You Are Invited To Temple Beth El's

2014 Annual Meeting

Tuesday, June 3 at 6:30 p.m.

President's Report
Finance Committee Report
Volunteer of the Year Award - Marilyn Manis
Installation of Officers & Board Members

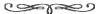
The Nominating Committee, co-chaired by Elyse Gilman and Linda Cornell Weinstein, announces the following nominees:



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Vice President Lisa Silverstein
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Join us as we tend the new Temple Beth El Community Garden:

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Harvests will be donated to families in need through Asbury Dining or the Brighton Food Cupboard.

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NORC Program Coordinator at JFS

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 - · Techniques to cope and grow
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Participants may attend any session. Please contact Talya Brea at 461-0110 or tbrea@jfsrochester.org for more information

This program is made possible by the generous support of the Ann Lib and Bernard Kozel Family Foundation.

CONDOLENCES We record with sorrow the passing of:

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Wife of Lewis Gould
Mother of Sharon G. Bloom
Sister of Dvorah Kolko
Sister of Arnold Goldman

Rita W. Jacobs, z'l Sister of Phyllis Gupp

Ethel Saperstone z'l Step-mother of Trudy Sheinfeld

May their souls be bound up in the bond of life.

Photos from the Men's Club Breakfast Program April 27 -"A Million Miracles: Survival and the Determination to Live" presented by Helen Levinson





Men's Club of Temple Beth El

Involving Jewish Men in Jewish Life

Sunday, June 22 Breakfast Program 9:30am

"A Leap of Practice: Seizing Ritual in Your Jewish Life"

presented by

Rabbi Leonardo A. Bitran

Judaism offers rituals and practices designed to guide us through and enrich our experience of every important life-cycle event, from birth to death, through coming of age, marriage, and more. In this program, Rabbi Bitran will present his insights into these practices to help you gain a new appreciation for the wisdom and beauty of Jewish ritual.

Hot Breakfast Buffet: 9:30am Program: 10:15am

Everyone is invited.

TBE Sisterhood

JOIN US ON MONDAY, AUGUST 4 — Hiddur Mitzvah Candle Holder Decorating at 7PM followed by the Tisha B'Av reading of Eicha using our candle holders to enhance the spirit. This craft is for everyone 5-105! To be sure we have enough supplies, please register by contacting Susan Zauderer at 385-7663 or susanz@rochester.rr.com. \$3 donation payable at the door suggested to cover supply costs.

NEXT GENERAL SISTERHOOD
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12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Lunch Provided
by Sisterhood at Susan's house:
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Planning ideas for next year
have begun!
Let Susan know you will be there!
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Tikkun Olam

Join us as Temple Beth El helps others in need in the Rochester community.

MITZVAH OF THE MONTH PROJECTS - MAY:

ASBURY: Help serve lunch at Asbury Dining & Caring Center from 11:15/11:30-1:30. Sunday, July 13. Please contact Carol Konuksever (ckonuksever@tberochester.org or 473-1770) to register.

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT: It is not too late to join our newest TBE refugee resettlement team, which has just started to work with a refugee family from Burma. Join us, you can make a difference. You sign up for only those tasks for which you have time and interests, and set your own level of commitment and schedule. For more information contact Mike Miller (mikemiller99@gmail.com).

COLLECTING FLIP-FLOPS: We are collecting new and gently used flip flops for Asbury Dining & Caring Center and for refugee families. All sizes are needed. Adult sized shower flip flops are also needed, for guests who use the shower facilities at the Dining Center.

Bikkur Cholim: Please let the Clergy Know...

...if a family member or a congregant you know is ill or in the hospital.

Please contact the Temple Office if a friend or family member is in the hospital and they would like a visit from a member of the clergy or to be added to the misheberach list.

Rabbi Bitran, Rabbi Freidson-King and Hazzan Leubitz are ready and eager to visit recuperating congregants or their loved ones either in the hospital, rehab facility, or at home, but can only do so if they know that someone is ill. So be their eyes and ears and keep them informed, so that they can fulfill the mitzvah of Bikkur Cholim - visiting the sick and bringing comfort to those who are experiencing health issues.

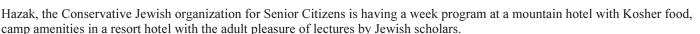
A simple call to the Temple Office is all that it takes and is much appreciated.

Attention Senior Citizens:

Have you seen the ads for Jewish Summer camps and thought about how wonderful they were or could be for those who attended and those who did not?

Now you too can attend a Jewish Summer Camp!





When: June 25- July 2, 2014

Where: Hudson Valley Resort in the Shawangunk Mountains on 400 acres with a Catskill view

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Upcoming Services and Study Sessions at TBE in June

L'Chayim 8:45 am Shabbat mornings weekly in the Beit Cafe

Shavuot Services & Program June 3, 4 & 5

Sign up for Limmud Adult Jews Living & Learning

12:00-1:00PM Lunchtime Study Sessions led by Rabbi Leonardo Bitran at TBE.

- What a Conservative Jew stands for & A short study on Abortion - June 18
- A short study on Money and Charging Interest - July 16

Shabbat 8:45-9:15AM L'Chayim: Weekly

Events Coming in June

TBE Annual Meeting 2014 6:30 pm Tuesday, June 3

Monthly Challah Baking 6:00 pm June 26

TODDAH RABBAH

Rabbi Tarfon taught: "You are not obliged to finish the task, neither are your free to desist from it." (Pirkei Avot chapter 2:21) Rabbi Tarfon cautions us not to throw up our hands in despair at the immensity of the task confronting us. The mandate is not to achieve but to act. When I think about Dr. Todd Stein's presidency, I think of this Mishnah. He has accomplished a great deal in synagogue organization at Temple Beth El. We are a different place because of his leadership. On behalf of my colleagues I extend my congratulations to him for his outstanding leadership, complete dedication and far-reaching vision as president of Temple Beth El.

Todd has served in many capacities and in each one of them he continues to demonstrate his leadership abilities and organizational skills. Because of his deeply embedded Jewish practices and values and strong commitment to Temple, I am sure Todd will continue to offer his great insights and clear vision of what we need to continue doing to keep Temple Beth El as a primary place of worship for the Rochester Jewish Community.

Thank you Todd and thank you Franceen, my first nine months on the job have been blessed by your love and care to our dear Temple Beth El.

Toddah Rabbah, Rabbi Leonardo Bitran



Celebrate Summer! June 8 at TBE Afternoon Beach Party With 'Hypnotic Clambake'

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Sisterhood Annual Meeting at 1:45 p.m.

Beach Party with desserts 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

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Temple Beth El Sisterhood

Summer Book Club

DATE CHANGED TO MAKE ROOM FOR THE JEWISH FILM FEST



Save the evening of JULY 23 to meet with your Sisterhood friends.

Join Athene Goldstein in a discussion of

Nine Parts of Desire, by Geraldine Brooks

Did you know that, before she turned to writing fiction, Brooks was a foreign correspondent for the Wall Street Journal? As she traveled through the Middle East to observe and document the strife in that part of the world she made note of the daily life of Muslim women.

Wednesday, July 23 at 7:30 pm Marcia Nabut, 10 Danbury Circle North, 14618 RSVP <u>mnabut@rochester.rr.com</u> or 271-4189

SAVE THE DATE SAVE THE DATE SAVE THE

Join the TBE Sisterhood Book Club on Wednesday, September 17 when Athene Goldstein will discuss Ari Shavit's My Promised Land: The Triumph and Tragedy of Israel.

Shavit, will be in Rochester this coming November as part of the Jewish Book Festival. Read him. Discuss him.

Highlights of the Minutes of the Board Meeting on April 7, 2014

Membership Report: 1 new member, 2 resignations.

Finance Committee Report: Details of the proposed budget were presented for fiscal year '14-'15. The proposed '14-'15 budget was passed by the Board.

Education Committee Report: Details were presented regarding the search for a new Educational Director. Interviews are underway now.

Security Committee: Linda Kingsley presented the new emergency preparedness and security manual.

President's Report: Passover 2nd Seder - 170 people are already registered. Centennial Fundraising Report - Jay Birnbaum announced that Sara Ressler has agreed to be the campaign co-chair.

Good & Welfare:

Continued speedy recovery to Matt Ryen.

Mazal Tov to the Dworkin's who will have a Simchat Bat this month.

Yasher Koach to Caroline Korn, Elyse Gilman and several other TBE folks who recently participated in a Jewish history program in Charleston, SC.

Mazal Tov to Helene Eisenstein and Shmulik Belo on their Aufruf and marriage.

Mazal Tov for the contributions to the recent Ronald McDonald House dinner, led by several youth members (including Linda Kingsley's daughter) who served alongside Sisterhood members. Thank you to Linda Kingsley and her security committee for the work on the emergency preparedness and security manual.

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June 2014	Friday Evening 6:00 pm	Shabbat Morning 9:00 am	Conclusion of Shabbat		
6th & 7th	Candle Lighting 8:29 pm	Sidra: Behaalot'cha	Mincha: 8:00 pm Havdalah: 9:30 pm		
13th & 14th	Candle Lighting 8:33 pm TBE Family Shabbat Service Under the Sky 6:00 pm	Sidra: Shelach L'cha Bat Mitzvah of Jessica Gordon	Mincha: 8:00 pm Havdalah: 9:34 pm		
20th & 21st	Candle Lighting 8:35 pm	Sidra: Korah	Mincha: 8:05 pm Havdalah: 9:36 pm		
27th & 28th	Candle Lighting 8:36 pm	Sidra: Hukkath	Mincha: 8:05 pm Havdalah: 9:36 pm		