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TEMPLE WELCOMES CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER

We are pleased to welcome our new Student Cantor, Janet Leuchter to our congregation. Cantor Leuchter, who is a student at the Hebrew Union College School of Sacred Music, is also known as a singer and teacher of Yiddish songs and klezmer music. She was the vocalist with the New York women's band Klez-meydlekh and currently sings with the Greater Metropolitan Klezmer Band. A classically trained mezzo-soprano, Cantor Leuchter has appeared in opera, oratorio, and concert in various venues in and around New York. She has written and recorded original settings of gender-neutral Hebrew blessings by noted poet and translator Marcia Falk. She has also been on the voice faculty of Stockton State College in Pomona, New Jersey. Most recently, Cantor Leuchter served as the cantor at Congregation B'nai Israel of Somerset Hills. During the summer, Cantor Leuchter is serving as our Ben & Ethel Chodash Cantorial Intern. We look forward to formally welcoming her to the Temple in the Fall.

HIGH HOLY DAY REMINDERS

Even though the High Holy Days will not arrive until September, we are already very busy preparing for this sacred season. We remind you that High Holy Day tickets will only be sent to Temple members in good standing. Members are being assigned to the same seats which they occupied last year, however, we are encouraging those who sit towards the rear of the sanctuary to consider moving closer to the front. Those who wish to have different seats for this or any other reason should call the Temple office immediately. Also, those who have purchased guest tickets for out-of-town family members in the past will be sent the same number of guest tickets this year, unless you call the Temple office to indicate that you will need more or fewer guest tickets.

We remind you that it is our custom for Temple members to bring their own prayerbooks to High Holy Day Services. Those who need prayerbooks, including new members of the Temple who have joined since last year's High Holy Days, may purchase a set of prayerbooks at the Temple office for \$5.00.

The Temple is selling beautiful full-sized greeting cards for Rosh HaShanna. The cards come in packages of 5 for \$5.00. All proceeds benefit the Temple. Stop by the office to see the cards, and purchase some for yourself, as well as for family and friends.

Those who wish to have a memorial plaque placed in our sanctuary before the dedication ceremony on Yom Kippur afternoon must place the order immediately, because it takes 6-8 weeks for a memorial plaque to be made. For more information about ordering memorial plaques, either call the Temple office, or speak to Blanche Dohrman, chairperson of our Memorial Plaque and Simcha Tree Committee.

ARZA

Enclosed in this "Newsletter," you will find information about ARZA and an ARZA membership form (see below). If you are already an ARZA member, please renew your membership now. If you haven't yet joined this important affiliate of our Reform Movement, now is the time to do so.

Please return your membership form to the Temple, along with your check for \$36.00, made payable to "Temple Beth-El."

Dear Rabbi Brickman:

I(We) want to strengthen Israel, build Reform Judaism in Israel, and join the fight for religious pluralism in the Jewish State. Please enroll/renew (circle one) the following as member(s) of ARZA:

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Please include check payable to "Temple Beth-El" for \$36.00 and return this form to:

Rabbi Kenneth Brickman
Temple Beth-El
2419 Kennedy Blvd.
Jersey City, NJ 07304

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of my friends at the Temple who sent me tributes on the occasion of my 90th Birthday. Ida Barison

HELEN AND MAX SCHNEID MUSIC FUND

Contributions have been received:

In honor of Irma and Seymour Jordan, on their 50th Wedding Anniversary from:

The Claremon's
Murray and Shirley Haar
Judy and Ben Kaplan

In honor of Nancy Sambul's Bat Mitzvah from:

Judy Bickart
Ida Flior
Edith and Allan Horowitz
E. Judy Mandel
Marjorie Lubowsky
Helen German

In honor of Ida Barison on her Special Birthday from: Ruth Zimmerman

Freda Hofstetter

In honor of the birth of Josie Healey, granddaughter of Judy and Ben Kaplan from:

Jay and Debbi Baum
Harold and Toby Rosen

In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Barbara Brilliant from: Evelyn and Murray Brilliant

In memory of Clifford Sheinberg, beloved husband of Ruth Sheinberg and our cherished friend, from:

Ethel Pesin and Sam
Hortense Gutmann
Lynn and Jack Edelman

In honor of Happy Birthdays to Hortense Gutmann and her son Stephen from: Libby Bergen

UAHC FUND TO REBUILD BURNED CHURCHES

The UAHC has launched a fund called "Rebuilding Faith in America: A Jewish Response to Church Burnings." Those who wish to contribute to this fund should send their checks to the Temple, made payable to "Rebuilding the Faith/UAHC."

THANK YOU

The Temple acknowledges with sincere appreciation the following contributions:

In honor of Nancy Sambul's Bat Mitzvah, from:
Nancy and Nathan Sambul
Arthur Zigman and Rosemary Todaro
John Lyons;

In memory of beloved parents, Sarah and Nathan Wellen on the occasion of their Yahrzeits, from: Abe Wellen;

In memory of beloved father, Louis Silverman, from: Daniel Silverman and Gerald Silverman;

In memory of Morris Bergen on the occasion of his Yahrzeit, from his son, Robert Bergen and his brother, Larry Bergen.

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Contributions have been received:

In appreciation for the Temple's Anniversary celebration from: Libby Sabsevit;

In memory of beloved sister, Faye Baumgarten, from: Nedda Parnes;

In honor of Nancy Sambul's Bat Mitzvah, from: Ellen Smith;

In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Jean Brickman, Rabbi Brickman's niece, from:

Murray and Shirley Haar

Ben and Judy Kaplan

Phyllis and Ida Barison;

In honor of Ben Kaplan's 2nd Bar Mitzvah, from: Dr. Michael and Lynn Kellert;

In appreciation for the prayers offered during her recent illness, from: Hortense Frank;

In honor of the birth of their granddaughter, Josie Kaplan Healey, from: Judy and Ben Kaplan;

In memory of beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Rena Abrams, and in appreciation to Rabbi Brickman, from: Phyllis and Robert Canter and Family and Brenda and Philip Kravitz and Family.

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CONDOLENCES

The Rabbi, Cantor and members of the Temple extend their sincerest sympathies and heartfelt condolences to:

Ethel Gewirtzman on the passing of her beloved niece, Helen Kleinhaus; and to

Ruth Sheinberg on the passing of her beloved husband, Clifford.

BEN & ETHEL CHODASH SUMMER CANTORIAL INTERNSHIP

For the first time, thanks to the generosity of Ben and Ethel Chodash, our congregation is enjoying the presence of our Student Cantor during the summer months. The Ben & Ethel Chodash Summer Cantorial Internship, which has been dedicated to the memory of Cantor Abraham Berman, serves as a fitting tribute to our late Cantor and enables our Student Cantors to enhance their skills. We are very excited to have Cantor Janet Leuchter as our first Summer Cantorial Intern, and we express our gratitude to Ben and Ethel for their generous gift.

We look forward to seeing you at our Shabbat evening services which continue at 8:00 p.m. every Friday throughout the summer. Shabbat morning services resume on September 7th.