

TEMPLE TOPICS



ELUL 5774/TISHRI/CHESHVAN 5775

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2014

Friday, September 5 - 6:00 PM

7:00 PM Congregational Dinner following services
by RSVP

Oneg Shabbat Hosts: the Collins and Schick families

Saturday, September 6 - 10:00 AM

B'nai Mitzvah of Wesley Collins and Olivia Schick

Friday, September 12 - 7:30 PM Family Service

August and September birthdays will be celebrated.

Oneg Shabbat Hosts: the Seif family

Saturday, September 13 - 10:00 AM

Bar Mitzvah of Bobby Seif

Friday, September 19 - 7:30 PM

Installation of Rabbi Kirzane

Oneg Shabbat Hosts: the DuBroff and Marder families

Saturday, September 20 - 9:30 AM Tot Shabbat 10:00 AM

B'nai Mitzvah of Kyle DuBroff and Jared Marder

8:30 PM - Pre-S'lichot Program at Beth Tikvah, Wayne

10:00 PM - Havdallah S'lichot at Beth Tikvah, Wayne

Wednesday, September 24 -

7:30 PM - Erev Rosh HaShanah

Thursday September 25 -

8:15 AM - Rosh HaShanah early morning service

11:45 AM - Rosh HaShanah mid-morning service

2:45 PM - Rosh HaShanah family service

4:15 PM - Tashlich

Friday, September 26 - 9:15 AM

Second Day Rosh HaShanah service

Friday, September 26 - 7:30 PM

Oneg Shabbat Hosts: the Chuck and Simon families

Saturday, September 27 - 10:00 AM

B'not Mitzvah of Marissa Chuck and Julia Simon

**Friday, October 3 - 7:30 PM - Kol Nidre****Saturday, October 4 -**

8:15 AM - Yom Kippur early morning service

11:45 AM - mid-morning service

2:00 - 3:30 PM Study sessions

2:30 PM Family service

2:30 PM Healing service

3:45 PM Mincha (afternoon) service

5:30 PM Yizkor

6:15 PM Neilah (closing) service

Wednesday, October 8 -

7:00 PM - Erev Sukkot Service

Please note the early start time.

Thursday, October 9 -

10:00 AM - Sukkot Festival Service

Friday, October 10 - 7:30 PM Family Service

October birthdays will be celebrated.

Oneg Shabbat Hosts: the Shulman and Surgan families

Saturday, October 11 - 10:00 AM

B'not Mitzvah of Jessica Shulman and Brooke Surgan

Wednesday, October 15 -

7:00 PM - Simchat Torah/Consecration

Please note the early start time.

Thursday, October 16 -

10:00 AM - Festival Yizkor Service

Friday, October 17 - 7:30 PM

Oneg Shabbat Hosts: the Ovadia and Steinberg families

Saturday, October 18 - 9:30 AM Tot Shabbat

10:00 AM

B'nai Mitzvah of Jonathan Ovadia and Jacob Steinberg

Friday, October 24 - 7:30 PM

Oneg Shabbat Hosts: the Kulick family

Saturday, October 25 - 10:00 AM

B'nai Mitzvah of Juliette and Owen

Kulick

Friday, October 31 - 7:30 PM

Oneg Shabbat Hosts: the Fisherman and Popowitz families



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President's Message

from Jen Cole

As I sit down to write this column, I am poolside, but can sense autumn quickly closing in. Perhaps more than ever before, I find myself clinging to these last few weeks of what is for many of us, the most carefree season. As I look back to reflect, this summer has been a pleasant one, with its fair share of sunny days (yet without the oppressive humidity we have come to expect in our neck of the woods) and delightfully cool, breezy nights. For the Cole family these months have been filled with days at the beach dolphin spotting, sunrise watching and sandcastle building and other days relaxing by and boating on the lake. At home we have enjoyed poolside gatherings with friends and family, swimming, and countless evening trips to Dairy Queen (thank goodness for the addition of the “mini” sized blizzard!). There have also been camps, waterslides, concerts, walks on the NYC Highline, carnival games and rollercoasters, both literal and emotional, with our daughter making the move from crib to “big girl bed” and our eldest son packing his belongings to move from our home to his college dorm. It will also go down as the summer of the ice bucket challenge and a celebrity death, which left us collectively shocked and saddened, and hopefully with heightened awareness, understanding and compassion. It has unfortunately been a time of great unrest and turmoil in Israel. I pray for better, more peaceful days ahead.

Whatever your summer adventures have included, I hope you have found them gratifying. July and August are quieter months at BHSS, and I hope you are looking forward to returning to the synagogue for a new year. Our dedicated clergy, staff and lay leaders are already in full swing planning and preparing for the approaching High Holidays to ensure, as always, that the worship, learning, and communal

experiences are meaningful and worthwhile for all who participate in the our HHD programming and beyond. I look forward to reconnecting.

Let me also welcome all of those who have recently joined Beth Haverim Shir Shalom. It is my hope that you will find, as I and so many others have, that belonging to our congregational family will not simply meet but will far exceed whatever expectations of synagogue membership you hold. As is written in one of my favorite prayers in *Mishkan T'filah*, it is my wish that “...this synagogue, for all who enter, is a door to a richer and more meaningful life.” I am eager to meet all of you and personally welcome you to BHSS and hope we will have that opportunity in the coming weeks.

As you may already be aware, Rabbi Daniel Kirzane officially joined our community in July. Please take some time to stop in to meet and get to know Rabbi Kirzane, the first assistant rabbi in our congregation's history. He has hit the ground running, as we say, and has much to offer our community. I hope you will join us for a special installation ceremony on Friday, September 19, as we formally welcome him, his wife, Jessica, and their son, Jeremiah, to BHSS.

The addition of our assistant rabbi has allowed Rabbi Mosbacher to broaden his work with IAF in the fight against gun violence. We are so proud of his commitment to these efforts and for the progress that has already been achieved.

Matt, Aidan, Garrett, Brady and Emily join me in wishing you *Shana Tovah* – A happy & healthy new year to all!

—Jennifer Cole, President

From the Rabbi

"If not now, when?"



I hope and pray that you've had a good, healthy, restful summer. We're looking forward to seeing you in your spiritual home!

It's been a good summer, if an intense one. With all the crises in the world, it's been an emotional one, to say the least. I look forward to sharing my thoughts with you on the High Holidays about the State of Israel and other matters of concern to the Jewish people.

It is the Hebrew month of Elul -- the month before Rosh Hashanah. It is a time of preparation, self-reflection, and of anticipation for a fresh start in our relationships with each other and with the Holy One of Blessing. The rabbis say that the name of this month -- Elul -- is an acronym for the passage from Song of Songs, "*Ani l'dodi, v'dodi li-- I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine.*"

In this season, I pray that we each take the time to examine the mutuality required in the deepest relationships in our lives, and the ways in which we can recommit ourselves to those relationships, both human and divine. It is one of the things I love most about Judaism -- that we believe that our souls are pure at their cores, and that we can renew them, redirect them, recommit them, if we do the hard work that the Jewish New Year calls us to do. Don't wait until the call of the shofar -- let's start now!

It's also been a summer of new beginnings, and I've been appreciating those, as well. Rabbi Daniel Kirzane has joined our professional staff, and he has jumped right in with both feet. He's met with many congregants one-on-one, he's been doing important pastoral care, he's joined Cantor Perper and I in the process of preparing b'nei mitzvah students, and so much more. He will be sharing responsibilities with Cantor Perper and me, and, even more exciting than that, he will bring his own passions and excitement and energy for new and creative programs that we've only been able to dream about until now. I know that you'll want to join in formally welcoming him at his installation at services on Friday evening, September 19. Daniel is a great addition to our professional team, and we welcome his wife, Jessica, and their delicious baby boy, Jeremiah, as well!

I've begun in earnest the work of serving the congregation while simultaneously working on a national campaign to reduce gun violence. With the hard work of community organizing leaders at Beth Haverim Shir Shalom, we've been able to get dozens of mayors, police chiefs, sheriffs, and governors across the country to commit to using their massive purchasing power to press gun manufacturers to create safer distribution systems and safer technology. I am grateful to our professional staff and to the lay leadership of the synagogue for having the vision to help lead this campaign. Beth Haverim Shir Shalom is gaining attention and esteem in the national Reform movement for its powerful social justice work -- I can think of nothing better for us to be known for!

Join us on **Thursday, September 18 at 7:30 p.m.** at Temple Ner Tamid in Bloomfield, when 150 people of faith will stand with mayors to put the gun manufacturers on notice. More information on this assembly will be in the weekly emails. For more information about the national campaign, check out the website: **www.donotstandidlyby.org**.

It is a time of growth for our congregation -- an exciting one. Sometimes folks ask us why we don't put more advertising in local papers. Time was, we did spend heavily on ads in the newspapers. But what we found in spending that money was what we still know to be true. No one joins a synagogue because of a notice in the paper. Each year, people join our sacred community because they were invited by a member who believes in the mission and warmth of this sacred community. And so we invite you to bring friends. Tell them about our great school and commitment to lifelong learning. Tell them about our meaningful worship and the opportunities we provide year-round to connect spiritually. Tell them about the commitment your spiritual home has made to making the world better because we're in it.

In that way, we will continue to go from strength to strength.

Elyssa and the boys join me in wishing you a *Shanah tovah u'metukah* -- a sweet and good new year.

—Rabbi Joel Mosbacher

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Candlelighting times:

September 5 – 7:02 pm *Ki Teitzei*
 September 12 – 6:51 pm *Ki Tavo*
 September 19 – 6:39 pm *N'tzavim/Vayeilech*
 September 26 – 6:27 pm *Ha'azinu*

October 3 – 6:15 pm Yom Kippur
 October 10 – 6:04 pm Sukkot
 October 17 – 5:53 pm *B'reisheet*
 October 24 – 5:43 pm *Noach*
 October 31 – 5:34 pm *Lech L'cha*



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September Birthdays

*Chelsey Abel
Chase Calarco
Wesley Collins
Brooke Dann
Kyle Dubroff
Jake Ehrman
Heather Felber
Dylan Fisherman
Samuel Flax
Miles Frank
Zachary Freeman
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Cantor's Corner



Hello from the cantor's corner! Wow, summer flew by, with trips abroad & trips upstate; from the choir continuing to prepare for the High Holidays, to b'nei mitzvah students returning from camp and needing to catch up on their Torah and Haftarah portions. We are well on our way toward being ready for the year. As you've read in this article before, I refer to our times together as our sacred calendar. Our High Holidays, our festivals, beautiful Shabbat evening and morning services each week, congregational dinners and much more. And woven through this sacred time are the melodies and sounds that echo within us, and remind us about God and community, prayer and devotion, family and friends. These are the days and these are the ways. These are the tools we have to offer you to encourage and inspire you and your families to be with us as we mark these times in our lives. We have 2 wonderful choirs, a temple band, and 2 awesome and inspirational rabbis. Just get in the car and be with us -- we'll take care of the rest.

As I look out the window and see the gorgeous summer greens against the blue sky, I am reminded of the power of beauty. Those things, and people, and events filled with meaning, and joy. Here at BHSS, it is my job to ensure that our music is always present to further enhance our worship, educational, and especially lifecycle events like b'nei mitzvah, weddings, funerals and more. The wonder of music and its ability to reach into the inside of us all is truly a gift from our creator. And what a rich gift it is! We are always hearing soundtracks to the movies we love. How often in the car are you driving with your radio on, or your smartphone on bluetooth playing your own selected tunes? Music can change our mood in an instant, and it is my constant goal to choose the right piece for the right moment. If you have special songs that are meaningful to you, share them with others. In this busy world full of stuff we must do, places we must be, remember to fill your days with song.

The Music Committee, led by Nora Berger, is always striving to create events that will we can all enjoy together. This year we have Movie Night, Coffeehouse Cantors, BHSS' Got Talent (so practice your juggling and Shakespeare), and perhaps some surprises as well.

Here's looking for moments of blessing. Times when, as a community, we can work to better this world for our children and our children's children. I look forward to seeing you at the temple, and fulfilling our potential together.

L'Shalom,

Cantor David Perper



From the Educator's Office

To all of our religious school families, welcome to another great year at Beth Haverim Shir Shalom! The teachers are refreshed from their summer pursuits, the pencils are sharpened, and the classrooms are freshly painted and cleaned. All that is missing is the sound of students engaged in learning, from the holiday stories, crafts, and cooking (yum) in Miss Terry's monthly preschool to the serious (and not-so-serious) exploration of all things Jewish at Monday nights' Kadimah classes.

With the High Holidays happening a few weeks after school has started, we have the luxury of time to examine these important events with our religious school students before they occur. In addition, the Education Committee's Terry Sitomer and I have worked together to offer **educational children's programming** on Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur mornings during the early (beginning 8:15 a.m.) service. This program has been newly-expanded to include students who will be in Kindergarten through Grade 6 as of September, 2014. In order to register your child(ren,) please visit www.bethhaverimshirshalom.org and click on the **"Religious School Information"** on the right of the front page. Spaces are limited and will be filled in the order in which the forms are received. If we are unable to enroll your child(ren), you will be contacted.

As they are every year, class placements have been carefully considered and organized. Especially during the first few days of school, please allow your children time to become acquainted with their new classrooms, teachers, and classmates. If you have any questions that you feel must be addressed during that time, I will be happy to speak with you **after the students are settled**. I would ask you also to be considerate of the teachers' time; although we treasure our staff's relationships with the students and their families and appreciate the need to "reconnect" after the summer, it is important that they be in their classrooms once school has started.

At the end of our last school year, the Education Committee recommended, our Board of Trustees decided, and Rabbi Mosbacher announced (quite publicly, much to my embarrassment) that I am now the "full-time" educator for the Beth Haverim Shir Shalom congregation! I have always strived to be there for you in whatever way you needed for the past 11 years in my officially part-time role, so will you notice any difference? I hope so...and I hope not.

I hope so because I want you to reach out to me with not only your children's personalities and learning styles but also your own personal learning wishes and dreams (I love teaching adults!); reach out with your problems, and reach out with your own stories. I hope not because, as I begin my 12th year as your educator, I want you to feel as if you have always been able to come to me with challenges and with triumphs, with needs for help, and with offers TO help! Working together with my amazing fellow professionals, Rabbi Mosbacher, Cantor Perper, and Rabbi Kirzane, the Education, Youth, and Lifelong Learning committees, and our terrific school and administrative staff, I will be there for you – full time.

I look forward to meeting all our new families and renewing partnerships with families from last year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

—Rebecca Bernstein McVeigh, Educator



Leah Behar
Rebecca Bibi
Miles Brickman
Ryan Brodsky
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Justin Silver
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Miles Swerdloff
Sam Terdiman
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September Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 OFFICE CLOSED	2 7 pm Mah Jongg	3 8 pm - Adult Choir	4	5 6 PM Tefilot 7 PM Dinner by RSVP	6 KI TEITZEI 8:15 am - Torah Study - 10 am - Wesley Collins Olivia Schick 6 pm - Music Comm @ Bergers
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9 am -School FS & 6 12 pm BHSSTY BBQ 7 pm Ritual Mtg.	4 pm School K-3 6:45 pm Kadimah	4 pm School 4/5 7:30 pm Exec Comm 7:30 pm MMG	7:00 pm - LLL Comm Mtg 8 pm Adult Choir		7:30 pm Tefilot Family Service	KI TAVO 8:15 am - Torah Study 10 am Bobby Seif
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
7:30 Spiritual Walk 9 am FS & 6 12 pm DaBears BBQ 1 pm Mah Jongg 7 pm Soc. Action	4 pm School K-3 6:45 pm Kadimah	4 pm School 4/5 7:30 pm - Board Mtg.	7:30 pm Adult Choir at Beth Tikvah, Wayne NJ		7:30 pm Tefilot Rabbi Kirzane Installation	N'TZAVIM/ VAYELECH 8:15 Torah Study 9:30 Tot Shabbat 10 am - Jared Marder, Kyle Dubroff 8:30 pm Slichot
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9 am FS & 6 12 pm - YG Sweet Like Honey 12 pm - Book Stuffing 1 pm - Silver Polishing	4 pm School K-3 6:45 pm - Kadimah	4 pm School 4/5 7:30 pm - Music Comm Mtg	7:30 pm Erev Rosh HaShanah Service	8:15 am - early RH svce 11:45 am - late morning svce 2:30 pm - Family Service 3:45 pm Tashlich	930 am - Rosh HaShanah Day 2 7:30 pm Tefilot	HA'AZINU 8:15 am - Torah Study 10 am Marissa Chuck Julia Simon
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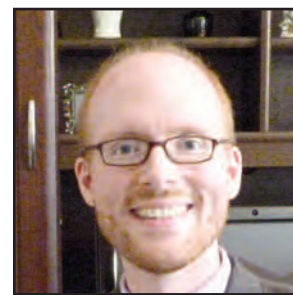


October Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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			7:00 pm - Ed Comm Mtg 8 pm Adult Choir		7:30 pm Kol Nidre	Yom Kippur (see front page for service times)
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
NO SCHOOL	4 pm School K-3 6:45 pm Kadimah	4 pm School 4/5 7:00 pm - Mah Jongg	5:30 pm B'hood Pizza in the Hut 7:00 pm - Erev Sukkot Svce	OFFICE CLOSED 10 am - Sukkot Festival Service	7:30 pm Tefilot Family Service	SUKKOT 8:15 am - Torah Study 10 am - Jessica Shulman Brooke Surgan
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
9 am -School FS & 6 12 pm BHSSTY Sukkot Soiree & Gardening	NO SCHOOL	4 pm School 4/5 6:30 pm Group Prayer Class 7:30 pm - Exec Comm Mtg 7:30 pm - MMG Mtg	7:00 pm Simchat Torah Consecration	OFFICE CLOSED 10 am - Festival Yizkor Service	7:30 pm Tefilot	B'REISHEET 8:15 Torah Study 9:30 Tot Shabbat 10 am Jonathan Ovadia Jacob Steinberg
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
9 am -School FS & 6 12 pm - DaBears Secor Farm 1 pm - LLL Children's Author Event 7 pm - Ritual Mtg.	4 pm- School K-3 5 pm - Group Prayer Class 6:45 pm - Kadimah	4 pm School 4/5 6:30 pm Group Prayer Class 7:30 pm Board Mtg.	7:00 pm - LLL Class w/Rabbi Kirzane 8 pm Adult Choir		7:30 pm Tefilot	NOACH 8:15 am - Torah Study 10 am- Juliette Kulick Owen Kulick 7 pm - LLL movie w/Rabbi Kirzane
26	27	28	29	30	31	
9 am- School FS & 6 12 pm - BHSSTY Secor Farm 1 pm - Book & A Bagel	4 pm School K-3 6:45 pm Kadimah	4 pm School 4/5 6:30 pm Group Prayer Class 7:30 pm Sis'hood Kickoff Event	8 pm Adult Choir		7:30 pm Tefilot	



From the Assistant Rabbi



A story is told of Rabbi Shneur Zalman, the rabbi of Belarus, who was denounced by a rival rabbi and jailed in St. Petersburg. Martin Buber, renowned philosopher and mystic, recounts:

Rabbi Shneur Zalman was awaiting his interrogation when the chief of police came into his cell. He began to converse with the rabbi and finally asked, “How am I to understand that God, who is omniscient, asks Adam, ‘*ayeka*,’ “Where are you” [when Adam and Eve hid in the Garden of Eden] (Gen. 3:9)?

The rabbi replied, “Do you believe that scripture is eternal and encompasses every age, every generation and every person?”

“Yes, I believe that,” said the chief.

“Well now,” said the rabbi, “in every age, God addresses every person with the question, ‘Where are you in your world? Already so many of your allotted years and days have passed. How far have you come in your world?’ Perhaps God will say, ‘You have lived forty-six years. Where are you now?’”

When the chief of police heard the exact number of his years, he pulled himself together, clasped the rabbi’s shoulder, and exclaimed, “Bravo!”

But his heart trembled. (*The Way of Man*, “The First Hasidic Tale.”)

As the year turns, the High Holidays remind us of God’s persistent question to each of us: *Ayeka*, Where are you? Like the police chief in our story, we may cheer for the leaders, essays, and works of art that remind us of this important question, but our hearts tremble when we actually get down to the business of trying to answer it. Where—indeed—*am I*?

My answer, at least in part, is that I stand in a place of honor and responsibility to serve this congregation as assistant rabbi.

That comes with a lot of excitement, anticipation, and innovation!

In my first couple of weeks on the job, I had the pleasure of meeting dozens of you for face-to-face, one-on-one conversations. Thanks to these patient and thoughtful congregants, I have a healthy appreciation of what makes the Beth Haverim Shir Shalom community special – your openness and flexibility, your commitment to excellence, and your cultivation of wise leadership. Thank you for welcoming me into this vibrant community; I very much look forward to serving and growing with you over the coming year.

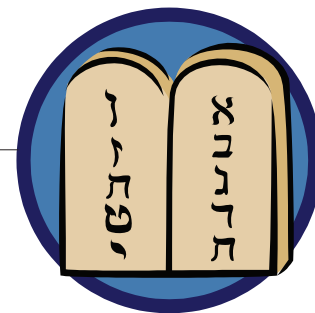
In particular, I hope you’ll join me in the following areas, to which I’ll be dedicating special focus over the coming months:

- Internal community organizing – asking “where are you?” about BHSS
- Lifelong Learning – check out my three-part series on Noah on October 22 and 25, and November 5
- Vibrant worship – sustaining and amplifying *tefillah* on Shabbat and at the school
- Relationship-building – come say hi!

After Simchat Torah, when we read once again *parashat Bereishit* and encounter God’s question *ayeka*, “Where are you?” I pray that the trembling of our hearts will not prevent us from trying to frame a response. May our intentions guide us to honest reflection in the year ahead as we seek to find our place in our lives and our world.

- Rabbi Daniel Kirzane

...will be called to the Torah...



Wesley Collins - September 6, 2014

Lives in Suffern, New York. Mother, Helene, Michael, Brothers, Kyle, 20, and Dustin, 16 is an 8th grader at Suffern Middle School His interests include soccer, track and field, basketball, camping, and hanging out with my friends. "I would like to go to college, travel the world, and become a stand-up comic. I feel great about reaching this milestone! I look forward to celebrating with my family and friends."



Kyle DuBroff - September 20, 2014

Lives in Waldwick, New Jersey. Mother, Kim Borzi, Father, Jim DuBroff, Sister, Gillian, 10 is a 7th grader at Waldwick Middle School His interests include video games, computer programming, and video/photo editing. "I would like to continue moving forward with my summer camp experience. Ultimately, I would like to become a CIT and eventually get a job there as a counselor. I am excited that all my years of Hebrew schooling bring me to this day of celebrating my accomplishment and that makes me proud."



Olivia Schick - September 6, 2014

Lives in Upper Saddle River, New Jersey. Mother, Robin, Father, Jeffrey, Brothers, Justin, 21 and Dylan, 18 is an 8th grader at Cavallini Middle School Her interests include soccer, lacrosse, and snowboarding. "I hope to lead a happy and healthy life, and be able to help people in need. I am very excited to become a Bat Mitzvah. I would like to thank Rabbi Mosbacher and Cantor Perper for all their help. I look forward to celebrating this special day with my family and friends."



Jared Marder - September 20, 2014

Lives in Montebello, New York. Mother, Christina, Father, Robert, Brothers, Ethan, 12, and Benjamin, 20 months, and Sister, Taylor, 8 is a 7th grader at Suffern Middle School His interests include playing hockey, riding snowmobiles and off-road quads, and skiing. "I would like to play professional hockey or become a dentist. I am very excited to share this special event with my family and friends."



Bobby Seif - September 13, 2014

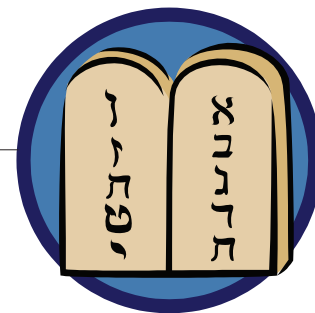
Lives in Suffern, New York. Mother, Ronni, Father, David, Sister, Mady, 11, Family Pet Coolidge, 4 (standard poodle) is an 8th grader at Suffern Middle School His interests include track and field math, and fishing. "I'd like to be an engineer - no specific field at this time. I feel prepared for this special day and I'm ready to take it on. I know there's a lot of responsibility that comes with being a Jewish adult, but I'm up for it."



Marissa Chuck - September 27, 2014

Lives in Mahwah, New Jersey. Mother, Debra, Father, Anthony, Brother, Sam, 10 is an 8th grader at Ramapo Ridge Middle School Her interests include soccer, lacrosse, and gymnastics; also art and spending time with friends and family. "I would like to go to college and be successful and happy in whatever I choose to do. I feel delighted to accomplish something that I have worked so hard for."

...will be called to the Torah...



Julia Rose Simon - September 27, 2014

Lives in Airmont, New York. Mother, Beth, Father, Keith, Sister, Rachel, 16 is an 8th grader at Suffern Middle School Her interests include playing soccer, drawing, and spending time with friends. "It is important to me to become a Bat Mitzvah because it helps me feel connected to my people's history and part of the Jewish chain. I feel as if I am a member of a very important club that was hard to join but I accomplished it."



Jacob Steinberg - October 18, 2014

Lives in Upper Saddle River, New Jersey. Mother, Kristi, Father, Rich, Sister, Nicole, 16 is a 7th grader at Cavallini Middle School His interests include karate, snowboarding, Korean food, animals, and traveling. "My ambition is to become more like my father. I'm a little nervous and also really looking forward to becoming a Bar Mitzvah."



Jessica Shulman - October 11, 2014

Lives in Upper Saddle River, New Jersey. Mother, Carol, Father, Rob, Sister, Jamie, 21, Brother, Jake, 17 is an 8th grader at Cavallini Middle School Her interests include volleyball, swimming, and reading. "I would like to be a photographer or scientist. I'm excited to spend this special day with my friends and family."



Brooke Sorgan - October 11, 2014

Lives in Montebello, New York. Mother, Wendee, Father, Andrew, Brother, Hunter, 11 is an 8th grader at Suffern Middle School Her interests include tennis, music, and having fun with friends. "I would love to be a doctor! I am very excited about becoming a Bat Mitzvah. I have worked very hard and I am looking forward to sharing the day with my family and friends."



Juliette Kulick - October 25, 2014

Lives in Upper Saddle River, New Jersey. Mother, Lisa, Father, David, Sisters, Isabelle, 16, and Justine, 10, Brother, Owen, 13 is an 8th grader at Cavallini Middle School Her interests include dancing, singing, piano, and One Direction. "I would like to be a famous dancer. I am excited and nervous."



Jonathan Thomas Ovadia - October 18, 2014

Lives in Airmont, New York. Mother, Gladys, Father, Steven, Brother, Daniel, 11, Sister, Samantha, 11 is an 8th grader at Suffern Middle School His interests include singing, song writing, playing guitar, and track. "I want to live a happy life, and a successful musician who inspires others."



Owen Kulick - October 25, 2014

Lives in Upper Saddle River, New Jersey. Mother, Lisa, Father, David, Sisters, Isabelle, 16, Juliette, 13 and Justine, 10 is an 8th grader at Cavallini Middle School His interests include soccer and golf. "I want to work hard at school and become a great architect or a famous golfer. I'm excited but scared at the same time and I want to make my parents proud."

Brotherhood 2.0

Happy Fall! Or almost fall. Summer season is over, and kids are headed back to school... playtime is over folks! Or is it?

Let's review. We closed the 2013/2014 season with an awesome Rock and Roll Shabbat with great food, lots of visitors, and a really good time. As always, the annual Brotherhood Shabbat kicks off Father's Day weekend. What better way to start Father's Day weekend than with the first ever, most likely annual Rockland Boulders baseball game? Saturday night, Brotherhood 2.0 secured a private suite for baseball and Havdalah – food, beverages, excellent view of the field, sunset, and fireworks! Yes...best Havdalah candles I've seen, and the Boulders won!

Summer has been relatively quiet on the Brotherhood 2.0 front. While our families were packing for summer vacation, and kids off to camp, Israel, or wherever, Brotherhood 2.0 helped harvest in the garden – July brought us over 20 lbs of fresh vegetables that we delivered to the Suffern soup kitchen. Brotherhood continues to provide courtesy transportation to members in need, and we recently added in a food pickup and delivery to Oasis House. Brotherhood will also support the coat drive (at BHSS through November), and will join Sisterhood for a social event, upcoming in December. We definitely need more hands on deck...there is more work to do. Anybody who is and has been a paid member, I am reaching out to you. Anybody who was thinking of joining, or not thinking of joining for whatever reasons – maybe it's fear of a time commitment. Maybe you feel there isn't much for you. Maybe you don't know a thing about us! Either way, here it is.

Brotherhood 2.0 is a renewed, socially active, community minded organization that is here to serve BHSS, serve our communities at large, and also to HAVE FUN. Please come out and support us. Come to board meetings, submit suggestions for speakers, or events, or fundraisers, or social action. Watch us as we align ourselves with our temple youth and our sibling organizations – Sisterhood, Michele Mitzvah, Community Organizing, Lifelong Learning, Caring Committee. This past year was a year of firsts – bike ride, baseball game, Passover wine sale, social action...and this year will be more of the fun stuff, more new stuff, and more support and help to our communities. Join us...welcome us into your lives...feed us cake, hamburgers and beer...pray with us on Shabbat, build with us on Sukkot, drink wine and enjoy food on Passover with us, celebrate with us, help us to help others. Happy New Year!

Please keep an eye on upcoming dates:

9/6/2014 – Brotherhood Kickoff BBQ (Location TBD)

9/7/2014 – Youth BBQ – Brotherhood is cooking –
we need some volunteers!

9/14/2014 – Another Youth BBQ – Brotherhood is cooking
– we need some volunteers!

10/5/2014 – Come build the Sukkah!
Annual Brotherhood tradition

10/8/2014 – Pizza in the Hut –
also an annual Brotherhood tradition

10/12/2014 – Gardening with the Youth Group

10/19/2014 – Come tear down the Sukkah!
What goes up, must come down

10/23/2014 – Growler and Gill –
beer tasting, and a night out

--Jonathan A. Theodore, President, Brotherhood 2.0

Caring Committee

The Caring Committee is continuing to do the best it can to assist our members in times of need. We are grateful to the Brotherhood who has teamed up with us to better serve our members. Brotherhood, under the direction of Jonathan Theodore, has stepped up to provide rides to doctors and various other destinations. We sincerely thank all those drivers who have volunteered their time. Additionally, we have continued to provide meals, shiva assistance, pastoral visits and other much needed services to members. Rabbi Mosbacher is always there to help us by providing guidance and insight when dealing with challenging issues. We are always available to listen and/or visit, and everything is confidential.

To request services or to become a volunteer, please contact Candy Kassover at candy1951@optonline.net or Laura Miller at mlctsmiller@verizon.net.

Sisterhood News

The temperatures are still warm, and there's still the scent of sunblock in the air—but the "Back to School" commercials are on, and fall is on the way! Your Sisterhood has been busy all summer, as we prepare to welcome all BHSS women back to the next programming year.

In June, we welcomed our new officers at a wonderful installation evening at Marcello's restaurant in Suffern. We were proud to inaugurate Jodi Lyons and Jane Young as co-presidents; and to welcome (and welcome back) all our officers, continuing and new. We enjoyed great food and drink and it was a special evening for all of us in so many ways.

July saw Sisterhood's annual mah jongg pool party at Stacey Coyne's home. The weather held out for us, and everyone had a terrific time. There are some new players to watch out for!

Sisterhood's annual Honey Sale is underway. Not only is the honey sale a great way to celebrate the holidays with your friends and family, it's a major fundraiser which assists us in supporting BHSS and all its members. For just \$10 per jar +\$4 shipping (domestic), ORT will send the honey directly to each recipient! Orders will be accepted throughout the High Holidays. Please follow the link at bethhaverim.org for additional information and to place your order.

This fall is going to be great! Our kick-off event is on October 28, where we'll learn all about organizing our lives (and who couldn't use that?). Save the date and please help solicit donations for our biggest fundraiser of the year - the Goods & Services Auction on Saturday, December 6! Anyone who attended our last one knows what a great entertaining evening it's going to be! By the way, we're actively soliciting donations for the G&S auction, so if you've got a favorite restaurant, spa, or merchant, ask them what they can do to help support our Sisterhood and BHSS! Visit the Sisterhood web page at bethhaverim.org to get donation information and forms. Thank you!

Look for flyers for the upcoming events on our website, and in Temple Topics, and be sure to turn out for our meetings. Do you have great ideas for Sisterhood? We need you—be a part of this very special group. Join us at an event—you'll be glad you did.

And now, a note from our co-presidents, welcoming all women to Sisterhood:

Shanah Tovah from your Co-Presidents!

Sisterhood is off to a running start, with many wonderful opportunities to participate! There is something for everyone - from volunteering at the Soup Kitchen on Sisterhood's next date, Sept. 28, and pitching in at the BHSS Community Garden on Sisterhood's next date on Sun., Sept. 21, to our Sisterhood kick-off event, "Getting Organized," on Tuesday, Oct. 28 and our big, fun, fundraiser of the year - the Goods and Services Auction, coming up on Saturday, December 6, complete with that wild and crazy auction team of Weinberg and Wichler! We have some wonderful collaborations in the works this year...Save the Date for our 1st Sisterhood/Brotherhood Chanukah Cocktail Party and Grab Bag: Sat., December 13 at the home of Sheryl Thailer! Watch the BHSS weekly emails for additional details on these and many other events that are in the works.

If you've ever considered joining Sisterhood and haven't yet, or you're new to BHSS and want to get to know some wonderful women, please join us! Our Sisterhood is here for you! Come say "hi" at our kick-off event!

In the meantime, don't forget to order your honey for the New Year, and if you'd like to volunteer at the soup kitchen or in the garden or you have questions about our Sisterhood or BHSS, please contact one of us: Jane Young - jnapfy@aol.com or Jodi Lyons - jodee1459@aol.com. It's going to be a great year for Sisterhood! It will be an even greater one when you join us!

Wishing you a sweet 5775!

Jodi and Jane

**Save the Date for a
Chanukah Cocktail Party
and Grab Bag,
Saturday evening,
December 13,
at Sheryl Thailer's
House!**



Youth Programming



Shalom!

Welcome back for a wonderful fun filled year. This summer zipped on by with many of our youth attending Jewish summer camps and various NFTY summer experiences. We would love to hear more about everyone's Jewish summer experiences, and to be able to share them with our congregants, both young and not so young. Please contact me via email at Stacey_a_butler@yahoo.com. I would love to feature your stories on our youth group board by the education entrance in the school wing.

I am very excited about our action packed year ahead of us. Please make sure to stop by the Beth Haverim Shir Shalom website, and take a look at the Youth Group page. All of our events are posted there for Da Bears (grades 6-8) and BHSSTY (grades 9-12). You can expect 1 event per month for Da Bears, and 2 events per month for BHSSTY. Please also make certain to complete a Youth Group Membership form. The completed form and dues should be submitted to the BHSS Main Office. Information about the upcoming month's events will be posted on the youth group board by the education entrance in the school wing.

For our 9th - 12th graders, who are members of our youth group, there is also the opportunity to get involved in NFTY-GER (North American Federation of Temple Youth - Garden Empire Region). This is a regional youth group, under the URJ, for all of New Jersey and Central New York. You can check out their web site at www.NFTY.org/ger. There are several events throughout the year...even some for our 6th-8th graders in the spring. Again, please keep a watch on our youth group board.

There are many great resources for our youth available. Please also make use of our youth, who are also great resources of information. Please reach out to our BHSSTY Board Members for 2014-2015 with any questions, suggestions, or comments.

Co-Presidents: Samantha Spencer & Rachel Teichman
Social Action Vice President: Jamie Ratowsky
Religious & Cultural Vice President: Samantha Lamster
Membership/Communications Vice President: Kara Checke
Da Bears Liaison: Jake Amendola
Specialty Events Planner: Sarah Fasanaro
Technology/Marketing Chair: Ari Mosbacher

Lastly, but certainly not least, I would like to welcome back and thank our Youth Committee Chairs, Helene Collins and Sharon Hoffman. If you are interested in being a part of this committee, please contact me, Rebecca McVeigh, or either of them directly.

Looking forward to an enriching and exciting year!

Stacey Butler
Director of Informal Youth Programming

RETREAT!

Now is the time -- register for the Second Annual Beth Haverim Shir Shalom Intergenerational Retreat! Plan now to spend the weekend of January 16-18, 2015, at Camp Harlam in Kunkletown, PA (less than 90 minutes from Mahwah), where you can share a wonderful time with other congregants of all ages and experience prayer, song and fellowship in the beautiful Pocono mountains. We have a full range of activities planned including crafts, yoga, gaga and social time where everyone will have the opportunity to make new friends, experience the tranquility of the mountains around us and enjoy a weekend free of cooking (unless of course you sign up for Rabbi's baking class!).

The retreat will begin at 5 pm with your arrival at Camp Harlam, and it ends on Sunday morning around 11 am. In between, we'll have delicious meals, song sessions, services and fun! The accommodations are simple but clean, and each room has a private bath. We anticipate the event will sell out, thanks to the generous support of the Endowment Fund. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to share this weekend with others. If you have any questions, please email them to: debalkow@hotmail.com. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Michelle Mitzvah Group

As the lazy days of summer disappear and the tree colors change to autumnal beauty, the BHSS Michelle Mitzvah organization has been busy behind the scenes with social action work, such as clothing, snack, and cartoon band-aid collections for Oasis and Tomorrow's Children Fund respectively, helping in the synagogue's community garden, running a once-monthly Sunday Soup Kitchen at Christ Episcopal Church in Suffern, and promoting the stocking of empty shelves at the Center for Food Action. These initiatives will continue in the fall.

L'Shanah Tovah greetings to our fellow congregants! As you all fill your busy calendars in the coming months, please try and make a New Year's resolution to come to our open monthly meetings (usually the second Tuesday evening of the month), attend our events, and above all, sign up to volunteer with us. Believe us, it will fill your hearts with infinite joy to see the smiles on the people you help feed, tutor, and mentor. Hopefully you have all received our sign-up form with your summer synagogue dues mailings and will contact us as soon as possible.

For those of you who attended the Michelle Mitzvah service on Friday, June 20, you know what a memorable evening it was. Sister Gloria, who heads up Oasis Women's Shelter in Paterson, spoke eloquently, as well as a young woman who is a future potential scholarship recipient. The Michelle Mitzvah group is proud to support such an amazing organization. We also shared the evening with the Lamster family on the eve of the b'nai mitzvah of Jessica and Joshua and were honored to be a part of their celebration. In addition, Rachel Teichman, from the BHSS Youth Group, was awarded the Mona and Murray Turka award for outstanding community service, another example of inter-committee achievement. Congratulations Rachel! Many thanks also to Hermine Aronson, who was instrumental in putting together such a beautiful and meaningful service.

On Sunday, September 7, we will be making a visit to

Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside, N.J. Cantor Perper and some choir members will be there to lead us in song as we bring smiles to children dealing with severe handicaps. The kids and the staff look forward to these visits. Mark your calendars and join us this day, for you will truly be doing a mitzvah. For more information, contact Bill Lachenauer at willny1000@hotmail.com or Jane Young at jnapfy@aol.com. It is a unique and fulfilling experience to accompany us on these missions.

Over the coming months we will be looking for volunteers in a number of areas. We need drivers to pick up bakery items from Costco in Hackensack and deliver them to Oasis in Paterson. If we can get some volunteer drivers who are available for a few hours Thursday mornings, usually 8:30-11:30 am, we can continue to help supply this needed food. We are also looking to develop some fundraising ideas so we can continue to support scholarships for both Children's Aid and Family Services and Oasis. On Sunday, November 2, we will be holding an Oasis collection again for the county-wide Jewish Federation's Mitzvah Day. Please contact Ilyse Smith, president of Michelle Mitzvah, directly about these initiatives at mmgbhhs@gmail.com.

Finally, do not forget to bring a bag of food to your hungry neighbors serviced by the Center For Food Action (CFA) in Mahwah, New Jersey, whenever you come to the synagogue. We will be continuing our outreach, especially during the upcoming High Holidays, when the CFA truck will be parked in our lot during Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

We look forward to seeing many new as well as old faces at our fall kick-off meeting, which takes place on Tuesday evening, September 9, at 7:30 pm at BHSS. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions!

Ilyse Smith, President: mmgbhhs@gmail.com
Lisa Glick, VP Communications: eslspan@aol.com

Contributions

Life Fund

in memory of George Moss & Ethel Pesin
- Barbara & Phil Moss

to Gerald David, In honor of his 95th Birthday
- Lynn & Michael Zall

to Eddie & Nita Klaskow, in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary
- Ann Malina, Stephen Mandel & Erin Zinberg

in memory of grandparents Morris and Ada Kohlreiter
- Marci & Harvey Weinberg

in honor of my new grandson Dylan Eli Levitt
- Sherry Levitt

to Mark Sherry and family, in memory of Herb Sherry
- Karen & Bruce Silverman

in memory of Jerome Johnson and Esther Senzel
- Sue Ellen & Ron Johnson

to the Lamster Family, in honor of Josh & Jessica becoming B'nei Mitzvah
- Roberta & Alan Metzger
- Fran & Irwin Isman
- Michael & Linda Schwartz
- the BHSS Library Committee

to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kay, in honor of the B'not Mitzvah of Molly and Goldie Kay
- Beryl & Mel Lamster

to Mr. and Mrs. Muntner, in honor of granddaughter's Lucy's Bat Mitzvah
- Beryl & Mel Lamster

to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Silverman, in honor of Ava's Bat Mitzvah
- Beryl & Mel Lamster

in honor of Julie Wichler's graduation from college!
- Gail & Ranan Wichler

in memory of Harriet Gordon
- Sheri & Allan Schott

in memory of Simon Seidner
- Ann & Barry Seidner

- Steve Simon

to The Lamster family in memory of Noel Lamster
- Marilyn & Roy Israel

to Dorie Cohen and family, in memory of her grandmother
- Ilyse & Floyd Smith

in memory of Elyse M. Weisser
- Carole Goodman

in memory of Leza Pincus
- Sandy & Newt Parks

in memory of Daniel Schacher
- Betty Schacher

in memory of Benjamin Ives
- Sheryl & Joel Ives

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

to Doris Litman, in honor of her special birthday!
- Helen Milstein

with thanks and in honor of Aly and George's Wedding.
- Laurie & Marc Daniel

to Rhonda Goodman and Marty Hymowitz, in honor of their "Social Action"
- Nan Rosner

in honor of the Lamster family and with thanks for all your caring.
- Ellen & Michael Opell

in commemoration of the following yahrzeits: Paul Levitt, Eva Stedman, Saul Stedman
- Sherry Levitt

Contributions

in commemoration of the following yahrzeits:
Beatrice Levitt, Benjamin Levitt, Sheila Estrin Levitt,
and Thelma Levitt
- Sherry Levitt & Lisa Estrin

to you and the congregation, with much thanks and in in
honor of our granddaughter Danielle becoming a Bat
Mitzvah
- Deanna Grossberg

in honor of Gail Spencer and in memory of Marilyn
Lindenbaum
- Peter Lindenbaum & Family

with thanks and appreciation
- Joel Dorfman

with thanks for the beautiful service for Sanda's mother
- Sanda & Alan Kessler

Thank you!
- Marilyn & Roy Israel

in honor of Dylan Hoy becoming a Bar Mitzvah and with
much thanks for helping make the day so special and all the
work you did leading up to his Bar Mitzvah!
- Hoy & Gunther families

to the Lamster family in memory of Noel Lamster
- Rhonda Goodman & Marty Hymowitz
- Sondra & Ken Ritchin

in memory of Irving Pesin
- Barbara & Phil Moss

in memory of Janice Schwartz
- David Schwartz

in memory of Morton Fuchs and David York
- Beverly & Harlan York

with thanks and in honor of Emily's Bat Mitzvah
- Beverly & Harlan York

in honor of Ritch Yanowitz
- Lynn & Gerry Westin

Educator's Discretionary Fund

thank you for allowing me to continue with family school!
- Linda Schwartz

thank you!
- Roy & Marilyn Israel

thank you for all your help and teaching
- Irma Becker

with thanks and in honor of Emily's Bat Mitzvah
- Beverly & Harlan York

Brick Fund

to Hermine Aronson, in memory of her brother Gerald Levy
- Jane & Jan Simon

to Roy Wandelmaier and family, in memory of his father
- Barbara & Charles Burghardt

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

with thanks and in honor of Aly and George's Wedding.
- Marc & Laurie Daniel

to Rich and Bonnie Berens, in honor of your
40th wedding anniversary
- Myra Dulberger

thank you!
- Roy & Marilyn Israel

in memory of Aunt Laurie Muriel Weinberg
- Robert Kaufman & Jang-Mei Wu

in honor of Dylan Hoy becoming a Bar Mitzvah and with
much thanks for helping make the day so special!
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with thanks
- Barbara & Stephen Cohen

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- Beverly & Harlan York

Contributions

Michelle Mitzvah Fund

to Hermine Aronson, in memory of her brother Gerald Levy

- Whitney Speer & Nat Stern
- Lisa & Ken Glick
- Marci & Harvey Weinberg
- Ilyse & Floyd Smith
- Bill & Sandra Arlington

to Rhonda Goodman & Marty Hymowitz, in honor of their hard work and dedication to Michelle Mitzvah.

- Gail & Ranan Wichler

to Bobby Mass in his honor for his help!

- Diana & Ken Goldstein

in memory of Kerry Butler, father of Stacey Butler

- Lisa Lamster
- Steve Simon
- Marilyn & Kim Hausner

in honor of Emily's Bat Mitzvah

- Beverly & Harlan York

Tree of Life

in honor of Emily York's Bat Mitzvah
in honor of Adam Gilman's Bar Mitzvah
in honor of Logan Kahn's Bar Mitzvah

The Aronson Families

thank our extended BHSS family for their friendship, prayers and support during our grand-daughter/niece Scarlett's year-long brave battle against cancer. She is now a happy, healthy and active four-year-old back at school and creating havoc along with her brother, Ryan..

Hermine also wishes to add her thanks to all her friends for the cards and contributions honoring the passing of her brother, Jerry.

Center for Food Action

donated by their families in honor of the following simchas

- Bar Mitzvah of Logan Kahn
- Bar Mitzvah of Cole Gentile
- Bar Mitzvah of Noah Levine
- Bar Mitzvah of Adam Gilman
- Bat Mitzvah of Victoria Messinger
- Bat Mitzvah of Abigail Siegel
- Bat Mitzvah of Caroline Fernandez
- Bar Mitzvah of Lucas Krieger
- Bat Mitzvah of Ali Caren
- Bat Mitzvah of Jillian Konikow

Ramapo Bergen Animal Refuge

donated by their families in honor of the following simchas

- Bat Mitzvah of Victoria Messinger
- Bar Mitzvah of Marc Wolf
- Bat Mitzvah of Kendall Shirvan
- Bat Mitzvah of Emily York

Dalia's Walk

A 5K Walk

in memory of our teacher and friend Dalia Leibowitz

sponsored by the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom

Sunday, September 28, 2014

(rain or shine)

Registration: 8:30 am

Walk Begins: 9:30 am at Temple Beth Sholom
32 Park Avenue, Park Ridge, NJ

Dalia's Walk will raise money to help improve the daily lives of women fighting cancer. For registration and fundraising forms, please go to www.tbbspv.org/regdaliaswalk, or speak to Rebecca McVeigh at BHSS. Please register by Sept. 10.

From the Sifriyah

Each month, for a minimum of two hours on a Thursday, nine volunteers meet in the library to “do” library business. They also gather for special occasions and/or programs. So, it is natural that after spending so much time together, these nine ladies reflected on the importance of the library in their lives. Here goes...

“In the library books we can find laughter, sadness, spirituality, love, history, and culture; with the Library Ladies I find friendship and a common purpose - to share all these wonders with our temple community.” (Sheryl Ives)

“So happy to be part of the Library Ladies, doing interesting programs for our synagogue.” (Lynn Zall)

“Our Sifriyah is a special gathering place where free-wheeling discussions reign. They are always dedicated to enhancing a love of reading, inquiry into Jewish history, values, and culture, and a respect for the written word. As a by-product, the library is also a place which fosters friendship, caring, good ideas, and lots of positive energy.” (Ruth Turner)

“The BHSS library = good books, great knowledge, and inspiration, and even better friendships.” (Jane Simon)

“The library committee hosts wonderful events where we can share our passion for learning and reading with all temple members.” (Barbara Nimerofsky)

“For me, the library or being on the library committee is a place to gather with a bunch of wonderful ladies. I love that we have all these fascinating books to choose from.” (Lisa Lamster)

“The library gives me the opportunity to bring my love of books and community and our wonderful synagogue together.” (Sharon Hoffman)

“I love to read and work with books. The new friendships I’ve made with the girls on the committee are an added bonus.” (Marilyn Bernstein)

“Definition for ‘library’: a place for an organized collection and it is a place set apart...”

“Our Sifriyah contains our hearts, our minds, our curiosity, our history and the Jewish soul. It is the place we go to when

we want to laugh, to cook, to find inspiration, and when we want to learn about God.” (Sheila Groskin)

So what have the library ladies planned for the fall?

A BOOK and A BAGEL: It is back. On October 26, from 1-3 p.m., Book and A Bagel will feature The Sisters Weiss by well-known author Naomi Ragen. It is the 1950s, and main character Rose Weiss rebels against the strict ultra-Orthodox life of a strict community. Her rebellion begins secretly and eventually leads to an act impossible for the community to accept. Rose enters another world. Her story does not end there, but continues over a 40-year span to follow the path of her niece, Rivka, who charts her own path away from her insular community. This is a page-turner, and will especially interest our readers in light of large Hasidic communities nestled in Rockland County. Watch for more updates, and be aware that this novel is now part of our library collection.

“Nicky’s Family” will be shown on Sunday, November 2 at 4 p.m. This film, appropriate for middle school students and older, tells the mostly unknown story of Nicholas Winton, an Englishman who organized the rescue of 669 Jewish Czech and Slovak children just before the outbreak of WWII. Join us, mark your calendars, and watch for more information.

The Golem and the Jinni, by Helene Wecker, is the choice of One Book One Community. This is the story of two supernatural creatures who appear mysteriously in 1899 New York. Enough said on the plot for now. The library ordered copies of this book, and as soon as they are in, we will advise congregants.

In addition to adding The Sisters Weiss to the library, we have also added another fascinating and unique book, Cartoonists Against the Holocaust. This book combines the printed word and the visual, with power and instruction. The goal of authors Medoff and Yoe is to first show how political cartoonists used their skills and art to try to defeat injustice. Through their cartoons, the authors urged the public to demand an end to the brutality of the Holocaust. This book is an eye-opener and could well serve as resource material for a high school research paper.

Step into the Sifriyah often and explore the world of books. Please let us know what you liked.

Ritual Committee

"How do you measure a year in the life?"

"Time keeps on slipping, slipping, slipping into the future"

"Oh the times they are a-changing"

"If I could save time in a bottle"

"Let's do the time warp again"

I could go on and on... I have a thing for song lyrics, and somehow these seem pretty appropriate as Rosh Hashanah approaches... again. As always, it seems impossible that another year has gone by, and yet I see the evidence of time's onward march all around me. I have started going to more weddings of friends' kids and fewer b'nai mitzvah, my "baby" is entering his senior year of high school, my niece who was a flower girl at my wedding just got married herself this summer, and Ian and I are about to celebrate a quarter century as a married couple. Where some people measure the New Year on January 1, or on their birthday, I have always measured the New Year at the Jewish New Year, which I guess is appropriate as the chair of the Ritual committee of a synagogue. And it really is beautiful, the way that we as Jews ring in the New Year: we reflect, we remember, we pray, we sing, we connect, we hope, we repent, we forgive, we mourn, we rejoice, we look back, and we look ahead. Most of all, we come together as a community.

And there are so very many ways to come together during these months. Starting with S'lichot, and through Simchat Torah, there will be countless services and learning opportunities for every age and need. You can check out the BHSS website and your High Holiday tickets for a full schedule, but I do want to especially point out a few things to keep you busy during the afternoon of Yom Kippur.

Yom Kippur Family Service: Like the Family Service on Rosh Hashanah, this service is open to members and non-members (no ticket required). The service will be led by the newest addition to our clergy team, Rabbi Daniel Kirzane, along with Cantor Perper. It is appropriate for families with younger children (or anyone who wants to come) and promises to be a fun, loud, song-filled way to spend the time before the afternoon service.

Yom Kippur Learning Session: Filling the entire time between the morning and afternoon services, and led once again by Bob Meyers, this year's theme explores the streams of Judaism in the United States. Four teachers (Bob Meyers, Joel Silverstein, Leslie Kirzner, and Kim Hausner) will teach us about Reform, Conservative, Reconstructionist, and Orthodox Judaism, and how they have developed in the United States.

Healing Service: This year led by Rabbi Mosbacher, the Healing Service is a perfect way to both rest and recharge between services. You don't need to be "sick" to attend this service. It is for anyone who may be praying for healing and wholeness, for themselves or a loved one.

Regardless of how you spend your afternoon on Yom Kippur, I look forward to seeing many of you over the next month or two. After all, another year has gone by, and it's time to come together once again.

May 5775 be a sweet and happy year for all of us, and may we all be written and sealed in the Book of Life.

L'Shalom,
Stacey Coyne

One last thing -- before the New Year comes, we need to get ready! There is silver to be polished and books to be stuffed and phone calls to be made and schedules to be filled in ... and you can help.

Please join us on **Sunday, Sept. 21 at 1 pm to help us polish the silver crowns and mantles that adorn our Torah scrolls and then stay (if you can) to help us prepare the machzorim for High Holiday services.** Many hands make light work, and we really do need all the help we can get. Also, if you are able to help with ushering during the High Holiday services, please contact Lisa Lamster at lisalams@optonline.net

Lifelong Learning

Born in the USA: American Jewry

How has our country been shaped by Judaism, the Hebrew bible, and Jewish values?

Is there a uniquely Jewish-American point of view?

How has Jewish ritual evolved in America and has it in turn been influenced by American values?

How have Jewish-Americans -- leaders, artists, scientists, athletes, and educators -- influenced American history?

Join the Lifelong Learning committee and our new co-chair, Deborah Klein, as we explore this year's theme: "Born in the USA: American Jewry." We have planned an exciting year of learning and programming along with themed events in collaboration with several other committees to learn about these questions, take some trips, and play some games, all **ending with our capstone event this April with our scholar-in-residence, Dr. Gary Zola, executive director of the American Jewish Archives** and professor of the American Jewish experience at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati.

You can always checkout the Lifelong Learning page for more details, but "save the date" during the Fall for some of our upcoming exciting events!

Lifelong Learning Calendar

• **High Holiday Spiritual Walk:** Join Rabbi Mosbacher and center yourself during the High Holy Day period with a Spiritual walk on **Sunday, September 14 at 7:30 am, Ramapo Reservation**

• **Jewish-American Children's Literature:** Join our own Jonathan Theodore at services on Friday, September 19 for a

"taste" of some of the great Jewish-American children books then come back to learn with Jonathan and explore these authors and their books on **Sunday October 19, 1-2:30 pm. Babysitting available and refreshments served. Please RSVP to office for October session.**

• **Noah: The Mythical and Ethical:** Join Rabbi Daniel Kirzane for a dinner learning series to explore the story of Noah. The story of the flood can be found in mythologies across many cultures, and our own story of Noah is dripping with midrashim and legends. This three-part series will explore the mythical, biblical, midrashic, and contemporary roots and lessons of this ancient story. **Cost \$20, RSVP to temple office by Friday, October 17.**

-- **Part 1: The Biblical and Mythical Origins of Noah:** Wednesday, Oct. 22 , 7-8 pm (dinner served)

-- **Part 2: "Noah" film screening and discussion:** Saturday, Oct. 25, 6:30-9:30 pm [Havdalah at 6:15 pm] OPEN TO ALL – But please RSVP so we can have a headcount for dinner!

-- **Part 3: The Ethics of Noah:** Wednesday, Nov. 5, 7-8 pm (dinner served)

• **"Nicky's Family":** Join the Library and Lifelong Learning committee as part of BHSS's Kristallnacht observance. This amazing documentary drama with featured reconstructions chronicles the rescue operations of 669 mainly Jewish children from Nazi occupied Czechoslovakia in 1939, just before the outbreak of WWII. **Sunday, Nov. 2, 4 pm. Movie screening followed by refreshments & discussion.**

• **Mah Jongg Mania:** The mania continues to grow with a group meeting bi-monthly on Sunday and Tuesday. Beginners are welcome! See Lifelong Learning page on the BHSS website for dates & details.

September Yahrzeits

RUTH ANSIN
FLORENCE ARFIN
IRVING ARFIN
JACK BERENS
SELMA BERMAN
PHILLIP BLACKMAN
GUSSIE BLUMENFELD
EDITH BLUMENTHAL
BUDDY COLEMAN
BERNICE DAVIS
SIDNEY DEMSKY
RICHARD WOLF DUFFINE
BURT ERLMAN
ELEANOR FIELDS
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ESTHER LONOW
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ESTHER MOSS
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MARCIA WITT
DANIEL ZAHM

Does your family have a Bar or Bat Mitzvah coming up?

In order to be included in the appropriate issue of Temple Topics,
your child's brief "bio" and photo are due as follows:

For a November or December date, by October 1

For a January or February date, by December 1

For a March or April date, by February 1

For a May or June date, by April 1

If you need a form, or have any questions, please call or email to the synagogue.

October Yahrzeits

STEVEN ABEL
KAY APPELBAUM
MICHELLE APPELBAUM
FLORENCE ASHKANAZY
DOROTHY AUERBACH
ADELE AZELROD
SYDNEY BEREZIN
SANDY BERNSTEIN
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ALLAN EISENSTEIN
BERNICE FISHKIN
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Community Organizing Assembly

Thursday, September 18 at 7:30 pm

at Temple Ner Tamid

936 Broad St, Bloomfield, NJ 07003

You must RSVP – call the BHSS office for more information.

Online registration will be available soon (look for the link in the weekly email).

Education Committee

Hello, and welcome to a new school year at BHSS! All of us on the Education Committee would like to wish you all a hearty welcome back and L'Shanah Tovah!

We would also like to send a very big welcome to Rabbi Kirzane. The Education Committee looks forward to having a great year ahead with our new assistant rabbi!

If anyone has children ages 0-5 (or knows anyone with children those ages), please join us for **Tot Shabbat**! Miss Ilene and Rabbi Mosbacher or Rabbi Kirzane lead a fun-filled morning of stories, songs, projects, and a snack from 9:30-10:15 am on the following Saturdays:

September 20, October 18, November 15, December 13, January 10, February 21, March 14, April 18, May 16, and June 13. If you would like to join us, please RSVP to the main office so we have enough supplies for everyone.

Also, please help us fill the Center for Food Action's shelves by sending in food with your students when they come for religious school. Each month, we will be collecting a certain type of food as a portion of the students' tzedakah.

The CFA has requested the following:

September - Cereal and Pancake Mix

October - Pasta, Canned Tomatoes Products

November - Boxed Potatoes, Rice and Stuffing

There are still places available in our 4s/early 5s class with Miss Terry on Mondays approximately once a month. Your little one will enjoy a craft, a song, a story, and cooking -- lots of hands-on activities packed into an hour and a half. Non-members are welcome to be a part of this fun-filled introduction as well, so if you want your child to participate with a friend, let them know and let us know.

NEW this year, the **High Holiday children's programming** (during the early morning services on both Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur) will be open to students in Kindergarten through Grade 6. These programs are free but spots **MUST** be pre-reserved, as there is limited space available. Check

your email for the flyer or call the office or school for more details.

Finally, if anyone is interested in becoming a member of the Education Committee, please contact either Lauren Einhorn at laureneinhorn16@gmail.com or Rebecca McVeigh at schoolatbethhav@optonline.net.

Thank you so much, and L'Shanah Tovah!

Lauren Einhorn, Chair

MONTHLY TOT SHABBAT

Tot Shabbat is back, and better than ever!

Families with children from

birth to 2nd grade

are invited to join

Miss Ilene and Rabbi Mosbacher or Rabbi Kirzane for a story, singing, a craft and a snack, from

9:30-10:15 am

on the following Shabbat mornings:

**September 20, October 18,
November 15, December 13,
January 10, February 21,
March 14, April 18,
May 16, and June 13.**

Please RSVP to the synagogue office at 201-512-1983 if you plan to come, so we will have enough supplies for everyone!

Social Action/Community Garden

During the past year, it became clear that “Social Action” at BHSS means different things to different people. Many committees such as Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Michelle Mitzvah Group and our youth groups have dealt actively and effectively in social action for many years. The BHSS Board also includes a Social Action Committee that for years has been a “committee” in name only, and we have sought to define what such a committee does. So, as a first step, we came up with a Mission Statement:

“The mission of the Social Action Committee of Beth Haverim Shir Shalom is to serve as an umbrella for all the

committees and organizations associated with the congregation that do social justice work in all forms under the auspices of the congregation.

“As such, it will inspire coordination and collaboration amongst organizations, promote their work within and outside the congregation, engage members of the congregation at large to participate in social justice opportunities, and advocate with the Board of Trustees to allocate the resources necessary to ensure that social justice is at the heart of Beth Haverim Shir Shalom’s mission.”

So what does that mean, now? We hope that it means that Social Action Committee really is a committee, not a couple of people having coffee at Panera. We will be asking every committee to delegate a representative to meet quarterly to discuss/share/inspire the social action activities that are included in their committee’s activities. The first such meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 14, at 7pm. We think this is a great development in the already incredible social action culture that encircles BHSS.

A few real activities have already occurred through the Social Action Committee. Last September we sponsored “Summit II,” where committee chairs and interested individuals came together to discuss social action opportunities for the coming year.

In June, in response to an urgent request from the Center for Food Action to help them get through the difficult summer months, we sponsored a brunch at Nagoya restaurant, where we raised \$490 and collected 42 very substantial bags of groceries. And we had great meal with great friends!

The BHSS **Community Garden** is in full swing. At this writing we have donated at least 70 pounds of produce to Center for Food Action and the Soup Kitchen in Suffern. We have had great cooperation from all the committees, and every week we have had volunteers helping us weed, tie, and harvest. We appreciate everyone’s help!

Coming Up On September

by Marge Piercy

*White butterflies, with single black fingerpaint eyes on their wings
dart and settle, eddy and mate over the green tangle of vines in
Labor Day morning steam.*

*The year grinds into ripeness and rot, grapes darkening, pears
yellowing, the first Virginia creeper twining crimson, the grasses,
dry straw to burn.*

*The New Year rises, beckoning across the umbrellas on the sand.
I begin to reconsider my life. What is the yield of my impatience?
What is the fruit of my resolve?*

*I turn from frantic white dance over the jungle of productivity
and slowly a niggun slides, cold water down my throat.
I rest on a leaf spotted red.*

*Now is the time to let the mind search backwards like the raven
loosed to see what can feed us. Now, the time to cast the mind
forward to chart an aerial map of the months.*

*The New Year is a great door that stands across the evening and
Yom Kippur is the second door. Between them are song and
silence, stone and clay pot to be filled from within myself.*

*I will find there both ripeness and rot, What I have done and
undone, What I must let go with the waning days and what I
must take in. With the last tomatoes, we harvest the fruit of
our lives.*

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Good & Welfare
from & for the congregation

Mazal Tov

To **Debbie Royal**, on the engagement of her Daughter Jamie Fishman to Billy Van Iderstine
To **Carole Goodman**, on the engagement of her Granddaughter Ari Rebecca Jacob to Alec Marcantonio
To **Marc and Laurie Daniel**, on the marriage of their Daughter Aly to George Lefkowitz
To **Sherry Levitt**, on the birth of her Grandson, Dylan Eli
To **Ariel Murphy**, received the Congressional Award Gold Medal
To **Iris Greenberg**, on her 10 year anniversary at Beth Haverim Shir Shalom
To **Bruce and Karen Silverman**, on the birth of their Grandson, Nicholas James
To **Rich and Arlene Mandel** on the birth of their Granddaughter, Gabriella Rose

Condolences

To **Bonnie Berens**, on the death of her Father, Jeff Jaffe
To **Lorraine Orlick**, on the death of her Father, Stanley Schick
To **Lisa Glick**, on the death of her Uncle, Paul Weiskop
To **Amy Bloom**, on the death of her Grandmother, Dorothy Greenberg
To **Hermine Aronson**, on the death of her Brother, Gerald Levy
To **Paula Gentile**, on the death of her Father, Jerome Goldstein
To **Joseph Eisberg**, on the death of his Father, Joseph Eisberg
To **Marc Weiss**, on the death of his Grandmother, Ruth Weiss
To **Stacey Butler**, on the death of her Father, Kerry Butler

R'fuah Sh'leimah

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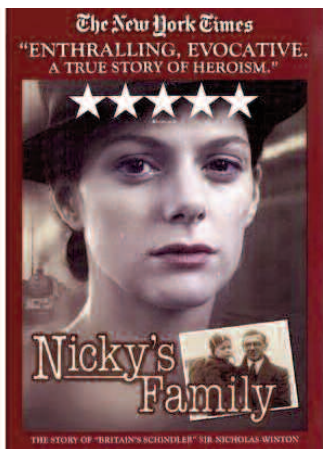
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SPECIAL EVENT
Sunday, November 2, 2014 at 4 pm
 showing of the award-winning film

“NICKY’S FAMILY”

The Library and the Lifelong Learning Committees are proud to present the internationally-acclaimed film “Nicky’s Family” as part of BHSS’s Kristallnacht observance. This amazing documentary drama with featured reconstructions chronicles the rescue operations of 669 mainly Jewish children from Nazi occupied Czechoslovakia in 1939, just before the outbreak of WWII. The success of this rescue operation was mainly due to the efforts of Sir Nicholas Winton, a British citizen who realized that there had to be a way to save the endangered children.

The then-29 year old Winton arranged visas, medical clearances and homes for these children. He personally wrote President Franklin Roosevelt for help in saving the children, but he was turned down. He has been dubbed “Britain’s Schindler” by Prime Minister Tony Blair. Now 105 and still active, he has a large “family”: the 669 rescued children now number almost 6,000 descendants.

Join us Sunday, November 2 at 4 pm for this important film. Afterwards, there will be refreshments and discussion. More information will be made available as we get closer to the date. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Simon.

Notes from Music

Welcome back, everyone! We hope you enjoyed your summer. I’m Nora Berger, chair of the Music Committee. I have a great group of people joining me so I think we will have a wonderful year of programs ahead.

The Music Committee will kick off the year with its first meeting on September 6, 2014 at my house. Spouses are invited, and cocktails and dessert will be served. It’s a nice way of ending the summer and getting down to business all at the same time. Conversation will flow and there will be a great chance to catch up with each other’s lives. Please RSVP with me at niberger@aol.com by September 2.

The Choir has been working throughout the summer to make our High Holiday services special. If you enjoy singing, consider joining. We are always welcoming new voices; men are especially in demand. Please contact Cantor Perper.

We are also planning a great year for our Junior Choir.

Children must be in third grade or older to participate. Lisa Lamster is our contact person for those interested in more information.

Please get in touch with her at lisalams@optonline.net.

Finally, please keep Sunday, December 7 at 7 pm open. We will be hosting our ever-popular Chanukah Coffeehouse Cantors! You won’t want to miss it!

This year will be filled with interesting programming, lots of planning and lots of fun for the committee. Singing is not a requirement for membership in the committee! There is always a free chair at the table for you, my reader, so come join us. We meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:30 at the synagogue. Contact me any time at niberger@aol.com, and let’s chat!

Musically yours,
 Nora Berger

B'ruchim HaBa'im Welcome New Members!

Jennifer & Brian Altman and family, Upper Saddle River, NJ

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Rachel & Jason Diamond and family, Woodcliff Lake

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Melanie Grossman and family, Mahwah, NJ

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(BHSS's new Assistant Rabbi!)

Lori & Scott Mabry and family, Suffern

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Maddy & Gary Savoy and family, Montebello, NY

Emily & Herbert Schuman, Wayne, NJ

Dana & Barry Slivka and family, Woodcliff Lake

Jessica & David Swerdloff and family, Montebello

Natalie & David Terdiman and family, Mahwah

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BHSS SISTERHOOD KICK-OFF EVENT

Sisterhood Members & Prospective Members

Organize your Home; Simplify your Life!

Guest Speaker: Michelle Nadel



Tuesday, October 28

7:30 pm

In BHSS Social Hall

**Free Program &
Refreshments!
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Michelle Nadel, Professional Organizer, will share her top organizing tips, as well as showcase some fun and functional organizing products that will be available to purchase. They are designed to help you cut down on the clutter in your kitchen, bathroom, home office, closets or even your car! A portion of the proceeds will be donated to BHSS's Sisterhood.

R.S.V.P. to Robin Cassell by Thurs., 10/23/14
or for add'l info, please contact Robin: rtcassell@yahoo.com

BHSS Dinner Learning Series with Rabbi Kirzane

Noah: The Mythical and the Ethical

In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day: All the fountains of the great deep burst apart, / And the floodgates of the sky broke open. The rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights (Gen. 7:11-12).

Part 1 – Wednesday, October. 22, 7-8 pm

The Biblical and Mythical Origins of Noah

Part 2 – Saturday, October. 25, 6:30-9:30 pm (Havdalah at 6:15 pm)

Noah (2014) film screening and discussion

Part 3 – Wednesday, November 5, 7-8 pm

The Ethics of Noah



Cost for Part 1 and Part 3 is \$20 total – dinner included.
Film screening and discussion is free – pizza dinner included.
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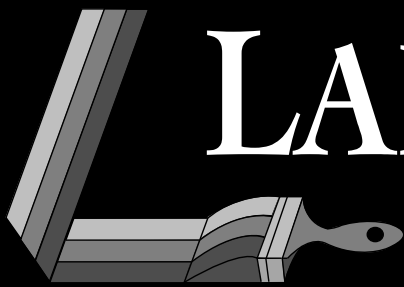


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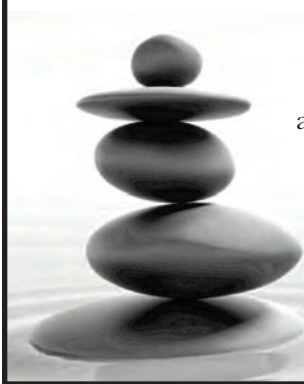
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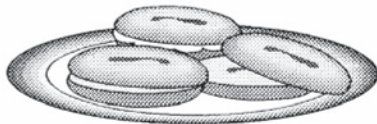
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Closing Early (3:00 p.m.) Wednesday, Sept. 24
Thursday, September 25
Friday, September 26
Closing Early (3:00 p.m.) Friday, October 3
Thursday, October 9
Thursday, October 16

First Sessions of School:

Sunday, September 7, Monday, September 8,
Tuesday, September 9

No School

Sunday, September 28, Monday, September 29,
and Tuesday, September 30
Sunday, October 5
Monday, October 13

To do in September and October:



Play Mah Jongg! at BHSS on Tuesdays, September 2 and October 7 beginning at 7 PM,
and Sundays September 14 and October 26 beginning at 1 PM

Enjoy dinner with your friends at 7 PM on Friday, September 5 (by RSVP); services begin at 6 PM

Torah Study - Saturdays beginning at 8:15 AM - September 6, 13, 20, and 27, and October 11, 18, and 25

Appreciate nature on the **spiritual walk** - Sunday, September 14 beginning at 7:30 AM

Officially Welcome Rabbi Kirzane at his **Installation Service** - Friday, September 19 beginning at 7:30 PM

Bring your tots to **Tot Shabbat** at 9:30 AM on Saturday, September 20 and Saturday, October 18

Help us get ready for the holidays by **organizing prayerbooks** and **polishing silver** - Sunday, September 21 beginning at 12 PM

Enjoy Brotherhood's **"Pizza in the Hut"** - Wednesday, October 8 beginning at 5:30 PM

Decorate the Sukkah after services - Wednesday, October 8 beginning at 7 PM

Celebrate **Simchat Torah** and our new school students for Consecration - Wednesday, October 15 beginning at 7 PM

Bring the Kids to Lifelong Learning's **Children's Author Event** - Sunday, October 19 beginning at 1 PM

Enroll in the 3-session Lifelong Learning class on the story of Noah, including a viewing and discussion of the

Russell Crowe movie - Wednesday, October 22, Saturday, October 25 (movie,) and Wednesday, November 5 at 7 PM