

Beth Israel - The West Temple

Bulletin

NOVEMBER, 1991

CHESHVAN/KISLEV, 5752

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, Nov. 1

Shabbat Evening Services
8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 22

Shabbat Evening Services
8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 8

Shared Shabbat Evening
Services, honoring Jew-
ish Book Month. 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 29

Shabbat Evening Services
Special Thanksgiving Ser-
vice. 8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 15

Shabbat Evening Services
Guest Speaker: Mayor
Michael White. 8 p.m.

FROM THE RABBI

Our congregation is integrally connected with a network of other Jewish organizations throughout Cleveland. It appears to me that they are not as well known to many of our congregants as they should be. Without them, we would not function as well as we do; without us, they would also suffer. I urge you to become familiar with these fine resources in our community.

For instance, many people think that all the Jewish Community Federation does is raise money. Without their help, however, our temple member, David Gitlin, would not have been able to produce a slide show on Israel for use in talking with church groups. It is through the Commission on Jewish Continuity, housed at the Federation (1750 Euclid Ave.), that our temple board was able to take a day-long retreat at the Jewish Community Center this summer and carefully plan for the future direction of Beth Israel.

Almost weekly, our temple school uses materials supplied by the Bureau of Jewish Education. The Bureau sponsors classes for our teachers held at temple to further their professional development. The College of Jewish Studies sponsors a four week adult learning seminar at the temple every January.

Many congregants have benefited from the services offered by Hebrew Free Loan Association, Bellefaire/Jewish Children's Bureau (including Jewish Big Brothers/Big Sisters), Jewish Family Service Association, and Jewish Vocational Services. Some of these organizations have come from the east side and sponsored workshops and classes in our building.

I believe that it is our privilege to have such fine institutions close by, and also, our responsibility to learn of their functions and avail ourselves of their resources. In such a way may we strengthen ourselves and each other.

Susan B. Stone

FOR THE THIRD EVENING: We kindle the third light for the Judges—Joshua, Deborah and Gideon—who lighted the candle of hope in a world dark with despair.

FOR THE FOURTH EVENING: We kindle the fourth light for the rulers—Samuel and Saul, David and Solomon—who lighted the candle of leadership in a world dark with confusion.

FOR THE FIFTH EVENING: We kindle the fifth light for the prophets—Amos and Hosea, Isaiah, Huldah and Ezekiel—who lighted the candle of justice in a world dark with violence.

FOR THE SIXTH EVENING: We kindle the sixth light for the Maccabees—Mattathias, Judah and Simon, Eleazar, Jonathan and John—who lighted the candle of courage in a world dark with terror.

FOR THE SEVENTH EVENING: We kindle the seventh light for Hannah's sons, the seven whom Antiochus slew, for they lighted the candle of faith in a world dark with fear.

FOR THE EIGHTH EVENING: We light these candles for all humanity, children of the One God. May the light of these star-spirits bring the message of freedom and justice to all the world.

(Courtesy of Rabbi David J. Seligson and
Rabbi Lewis E. Bogage)

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DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER ISSUE: NOV. 10

President's Message

We're fully into our temple fall and winter season. Our new members are visible everywhere at Beth Israel. I've already found 3 new members who are losing the edge of newness faster than they probably expected. One new member agreed to help with planning social events, one with recycling, and one with membership.

And in the spring, we're expecting a brand new member. Rabbi Susan and John Stone are expecting a little Stone! They are hoping for the new arrival around the first week of April. Congratulations and we hope this pregnancy goes safely and smoothly.

Our membership is now up to 160 member units and I am still very proud to be sharing my time and skills with all of you. The ability to gradually make new friends, plus gain new insights and appreciation for all of your individual talents is truly a gift for me. Thank you.

Shellie Sedlak

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RITUAL COMMITTEE

Poet Chaim Nachman Bialik wrote,
Fruited branches overhead
Shall in benediction spread.

Many helped to put up and tear down the "fruited branches" of the Sukkah. Warm thanks to Scott Machol and Scott Lazarus and their helpers Ken Cooper, Frank Eilberg, Arthur Gold, David Komitau, Harry Lader, Leah Lader, and Michael Palnik.

The Ritual Committee welcomes Deborah Gilbert who is helping Sylvia Cooper and Scott Machol with the Oneg scheduling. The honor of the Services and Onegei Shabbat is given to the following congregants, who will receive a postcard or letter in the mail.

Stephanie Gordon
Ritual Chair

C=Candles, A=Aliyah, H=Hagbah, G=Galilah, O=Oneg

11/1-C: Ruth Friedman; Service Leader: Judd Seldin;
O: Marion Beekman; Dan & Carole Litt.

11/8-C: Thelma Goldberg; A: David Komitau; H: Sol
Gorland; O: Richard & Maria Bloom; Scott
Machol.

11/15-C: Lenore Singer; A: Erwin Lezberg; H: Harry
Lader; G: Roberta Provder; O: Stanley & Monica
Beekman; James & Theresa Lowe.

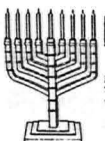
11/22-C: Susan O'Reilly; O: Beth & Monty Andro;
Karl & Dorothy Lubitz.

11/29-C: Blanche Caron; O: Marie Bielefeld; Alice
Mark.

HELP NEEDED/WANTED

HELP for our Treasurer, preferably someone with accounting and auditing experience--someone who could relieve her of a few responsibilities.

Please call Shellie Sedlak (228-2701) or Maria Bloom (572-1268).



HOME SERVICE FOR CHANUKAH

On the first night of Chanukah one candle is lit. On the next night two candles are lit, and one more candle is added every night until eight are lit on the eighth night. In addition to these a "servant" candle, or Shamos, is lit every night and this candle is used to kindle all of the others.

THE BLESSING (to be recited each day):

Baruch ata, Adonai elohaynu melech Ha'olam, asher kid'sha-nu b'mitz-vo-tav vitzi-va-nu l'hadlik nayr shel Chanukah....We praise you, O Lord, our God, Ruler of the world, Who has sanctified us by Your Comandments and commanded us t kindle the Chanukah lights.

Baruch ata Adonai elohaynu melech ha'olam, she'asa ni'sim la'avotaynu ba'yo'mim ha'haym ba'zman ha-zeh....We praise you, O Lord, our God, Ruler of the World, who has permitted us to be present at this happy time.

THE SERVANT LIGHT OR SHAMOS (to be recited each day) as one candle may kindle many others and yet lose none of its own light, so Judaism has kindled the light of truth for many religions in many lands and still shines brightly through the ages.

FOR THE FIRST NIGHT ONLY: Baruch ata Adonai elohaynu melech ha'olam, she-he-che-ya-nu, v'ki-y'manu, v'hi-gi-a-nu la'zman hazeh....We praise you, O Lord, our God, Ruler of the world, Who has instilled within us the gift of life, sustained us and permitted us to celebrate this joyous festival.

FOR THE FIRST EVENING: We kindle the first light for Abraham who lighted the candle of faith in a world dark with idolatry.

FOR THE SECOND EVENING: We kindle the second light for Moses and Aaron who lighted the candle of freedom in a world dark with slavery.

YAHRZEITEN



Civil dates correspond to Hebrew calendar.

Friday, Nov. 8

Joseph L. Jacobson 11/10

Herbert Seldin 11/10

Yitzchak Gitlin 11/11

Charlotte Gorland 11/11

Rose F. Simon 11/12

James F. Curran 11/12

Dorothy Ann G. Kirch-
heimer 11/12

Sarah Pallik 11/13

Helen Klein 11/14

Rose Hertzberg 11/15

Friday, Nov. 15

Rose Wexler 11/16

Al Stromberg 11/21

Friday, Nov. 22

Louis Altman 11/25

Tom Lewalk 11/26

Friday, Nov. 29

Bella Berman 12/2

TORAH STUDY GROUP

Come study with friends. We begin weekly Torah study Tuesday, Nov. 12, 7:30 p.m. Rabbi Stone will facilitate discussion (knowledge of Hebrew is not necessary). Your enthusiasm and love of Torah are all that are needed.

For further information contact me at 582-2116.

Myrna Pendery

HELPING THE COLLEGE DREAM COME TRUE

We will have a video presentation on Nov. 17, at 10:30 a.m. regarding two college saving programs available to any one saving for higher education. These programs are offered by the Ohio Tuition Trust Authority (OTTA). A detailed brochure will be available at the presentation or can be obtained by calling the phone number on the insert.

COME CELEBRATE JEWISH BOOK MONTH

In many ways, the temple library is the heart of our congregation. For one month a year, we get to celebrate its tremendous contribution to our lives. That month is November, Jewish Book Month.

This year, our Jewish Book Month celebration will take the form of a presentation, "NEW BOOKS FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR PARENTS," at Shared Shabbat Services on Nov. 8, at 7:30 p.m. Students in the Religious School will assist Rhoda Rosen and Evy Rosenblum in presenting the best and the most exciting acquisitions our library has to offer. It is a rare chance to walk through the stimulating world of Jewish books with expert tour guides. Please plan on joining us.

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## FOOD DRIVE CONTINUES

Our wildly successful Yom Kippur Food Drive was due to the efforts of Jan Morse, Ruth Hudson and all of you! We can be justifiably proud of our accomplishment during the high holydays. Unfortunately, however, we cannot rest on our laurels. Our food drive must continue--and grow stronger--as the weather grows colder. Please remember that the collection box inside the back door at temple will always have room for one more can, one more box. Thank you.

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## NOVEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Les & Leona Ackerman, 11/6  
Herbert & Blanche Caron, 11/9  
Larry & Rae Saidman 11/12  
Ed & Shosh Ault, 11/19  
David & Tone Kaplan 11/21  
Richard & Lynn Mansfeld 11/25  
Richard & Christina Keller 11/26



From the Educational Director

PCR UPDATE.....Project Curriculum Renewal.....  
Teachers on our staff have been meeting with Dr. Mel Arnoff, curriculum specialist with the Bureau of Jewish Education, as we continue the process of reviewing and renewing our school's curriculum. The process is a long one--reviewing our philosophy, mapping our present curriculum, assessing our needs, developing curriculum to address those areas, implementing the curriculum in the classroom and reassessing. This is seen as a two- to three-year project, and we will be reassessing our own progress and needs along the way. However, our teachers are not alone in this endeavor. We are very interested in input from students and parents who have been participants in our school for (at least) two years, and we'll be sending out a questionnaire for this purpose. We'll keep you posted.

We have a busy November..Mazal Tov to the eighth and ninth graders in Saragene Davis' class as they study and celebrate the Jewish Wedding with a special wedding ceremony and party on Nov. 9...Chanukah Family Education on Nov. 10 for parents and students in the Kindergarten and First Grade class ...Our High School class will be traveling to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati for a special Shabbat High School Weekend on Nov. 22...

Enid Lader

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FRY 'EM FAST... FRY 'EM FRESH!!!!

Yes, get your frying pans and spatulas ready as we prepare for our annual Latke Cook-Off. This year we plan to prepare the Latkes the morning of the Chanukah Luncheon, Dec. 8 (following our return from Thanksgiving). So... Get ready... Get set... Get in touch with Barbara Schecter (235-1912) to join the frying fun! And mark your calendar for Dec. 8, for the Chanukah Latke Luncheon.

CONTRIBUTIONS

General

In appreciation of High Holiday Services from Arthur & Nancy Schwartz; Peggy & Gerald Banchek; Seymour Himmel; Charles Lamb; Marion & George Bauer; Irving & Anne Pinkel.

Susan Button in memory of Herman Mark; in memory of Donna Lezberg.

Library

Irving & Anne Pinkel, for Ruth & Harold Friedman and Len & Lenore Singer.

Marilyn Grossman in memory of Deborah Rubin.

Sylvia & Ralph Forman in memory of Caroline Dela Motte; in memory of Deborah Rubin; in memory of Hedwig Eckstein.

Marilyn & Don Bogart in memory of Herman Mark.

Isaac and Frances Fine & family in memory of beloved brother-in-law and uncle, Herman Mark.

Richard and Janet Feigenbaum in memory of their parents, Ida and Max Lebovitz and Lillian and Fred Feigenbaum.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Dorothy & Ben Cohen in memory of brother-in-law, Sandor Schwartz.

David Mikuls

Ed & Shosh Ault in honor of marriage of daughter Renee to Stephen Gontarz.

Mindy & Philip Bedrossian in honor of Nathan's Bar Mitzvah.

Ronna & Jerry Martin in honor of High Holiday Services.

ESPECIALLY FOR WOMEN

Another celebration of Jewish Book Month will take place at the Mayfield JCC on Tuesday, Nov. 5, when founding editor of Ms. magazine and author, Letty Cottin Pogrebin, will speak at 7 p.m. Her new book, *Deborah, Golda and Me*, details the rise of her Jewish awareness and her struggles to live as both a feminist and Jew. Honored Guest is the new Silver Scholar at Case Western Reserve University, Dr. Susannah Heschel. This is a not-to-be-missed opportunity to meet two of the most articulate and educated Jewish women in America, as well as a chance to meet many fascinating Cleveland Jewish women.

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JUDAICA CORNER

Enid Lader, our Educational Director, Choir Director, Cantorial Soloist, and all-around cheerleader, has finally put it all together. We are now selling her very own original songs in cassette form called "Shiru B'Mesheh Hashanah" (Sing Throughout the Year). Her other cassette, featuring traditional melodies for the holidays, is called "Holiday Songs and Blessings." Purchase your copies in time for Chanukah or call Janet McGary, 826-0154, to place your order.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Aaron Bloom 11/14	Laura Folkman 12/85
Andrew Brandman 11/20	John Kranyak 11/5
Michael Carte 11/16	Jennifer Sedlak 11/2

LUNCH WITH THE RABBI

Wednesday, Nov. 13, 1991
12 Noon

An informal hour of conversation and dining
with temple friends and

RABBI SUSAN B. STONE

at

MarCal's
6786 Pearl Road
Middleburg Heights

For reservations or more details, please call
Sally Lezberg, 243-4235

AN INVITATION

Temple members, as well as the general public,
are invited to an original slide show on the Arab-
Israeli dispute, to be shown by Dr. David Gitlin of
the temple's Social Action Committee, at the Mandel
JCC (S. Woodland Rd.) on Tuesday, Nov. 5, at 8 p.m.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					Shabbat Services 1 8 pm	2
School 3 9:55 am-12:15 pm	Lehrhaus 4	Hebrew School 5 5:30 & 6:30 pm General Election	6	7	Shared Shabbat 8 Services, 7:30 pm Jewish Book Month Program	9
School 10 Family Education 10 am	Lehrhaus 11	Hebrew School 12 Confirmation Class begins, 6:30 pm Torah Study Class begins, 7:30 pm	Lunch with Rabbi 13 12 Noon Board Meeting 7:30 pm	14	Shabbat Services 15 8 pm Guest Speaker: Mayor Michael White	16
School 17 Ohio Trust Tuition Program, 10:30 am	Lehrhaus 18	Hebrew School 19 Confirmation Class Torah Study Class	20	21	Shabbat Services 22 8 pm	23
School 24	25	Hebrew School 26 Confirmation Class Torah Study Class	27	28 Thanksgiving Day	Shabbat Services 29 8 pm Special Thanksgiving Service	30

