

The Shofar



Temple Beth El Israel

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January 2020
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Upcoming Events.....

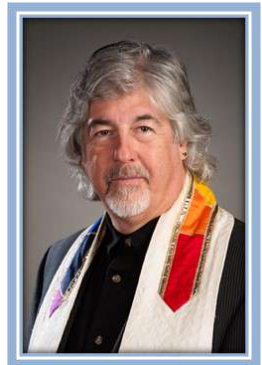
January:

5	Sunday Afternoon Bingo	1 PM
7	Sisterhood Board Meeting	10 AM
	Brotherhood Board Meeting	7:30 PM
9	Temple Board Meeting	7:30 PM
10	Family Service	7 PM
11	Rabbi/Comedian Bob Alper	7 PM
12	Treasure Coast Jewish Film Festival - Stuart	2 PM
14	Sisterhood General Meeting	12:30 PM
21	Brotherhood General Meeting	12:30 PM
21	Ritual Committee Meeting	7:30 PM
28	Fundraising Meeting	7:30 PM

Tickets for all events are available at the Temple office

From the Desk of Rabbi Bruce Benson

The Talmud calls it a "Ma'agal Chozer - a circle without end". Time is what it is. Joseph is tending his flocks as his brothers are plotting to get rid of the know-it-all who is completely filled with himself. We hear the story again, knowing where it is going. Or do we? Reading it again provides us a different outlook on the story, its reasons, its wherefores and why's and, although we still know the end of it, we have used different roads to get to that comfortable, recognized end.



How does that happen? The words don't change, so what is so different? We read, reread, struggle to understand and more and still we're confused.... The answer is right in front of us. We see what we seek.... We are reading the story as if it is the story that changes. Of course, that's not the case at all. It is us - it is we who change.

As we go through our lives, the opportunities for change, opportunities to re-imagine or re-envision our lives constantly appear and show themselves to us. Which ones do we see and respond too? Usually, the easy ones, the ones most similar to where we are already. Its comfortable that way. It's what I call, "**Enthusiasma** - the desire to change without having to put in the effort to make it happen.

Our temple is looking to become the beacon to the entire Jewish community of St Lucie county.

On Saturday, January 11, Rabbi Bob Alper is coming to our building for an evening of laughs and more....Come - laugh and help sustain our temple at the same time.

In February, LAS VEGAS star JULIE BUDD is coming to the Lyric Theater to help raise our spirits and some dollars.... Again - come, have an extraordinary night of stories and song while supporting our temple family. A true 2 for 1 deal if ever there was one.

More you say????

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The President's Communication Corner

"The key to success is to focus on goals, not obstacles." We often stop trying if something seems too hard, too much trouble, or takes too much time. Then nothing gets accomplished. But if we persevere, we are often rewarded with success. I am happy to say (write) perseverance paid off:

Temple Beth El Israel has received its 501(c)(3) letter of determination from the IRS.

This is just the beginning...the first step. "Arriving at one goal is the starting point to another." The 501(c)(3) letter of determination affords us an opportunity to find ways to help meet some of TBEI's needs and further our causes. This, too, takes time and effort. If we persevere, we will hopefully be rewarded again with success.

Thank you to Faith Krumenacker and Sue Klatch for helping me gather the necessary information and complete the 501(c)(3) application so TBEI could reach this milestone.

~Tobi

Rabbi Benson's Cell Phone Number is: 561-601-8294

Our officer's phone numbers:

Tobi Rettig ~ President	340-4372
Sue Schlein ~ First Vice President	878-0717
Linda Chazin ~ Second Vice President - Membership	871-1205
Sue Klatch ~ Treasurer	336-7175
Faith Krumenacker ~ Financial Secretary	343-7639
Fran Cooper ~ Recording Secretary	873-4679
Ellis Bromberg ~ Corresponding Secretary	414-218-2535
Belle Sidel/Maryann Polk ~ Sisterhood Co-Presidents	785-5337/908-279-3859
Ellis Bromberg/Len Epstein ~ Brotherhood Co-Presidents	414-218-2535/807-4713

Help support the Temple.....

*By participating in our
programs and fund-raisers*

Let's greet and make visitors (and our own members) feel welcome when they come to services, in the social hall, after services or after special events.

Invite people you don't know to sit with you and get to know the people that come to our Temple. Saving seats in the Social Hall for the people we already know is not the way to meet and get to know our fellow congregants and guests.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Happy New Year to all our TBEI friends! May the New Year 2020 bring all of us "a year of Good Health, Happiness and Peace".

Our first General Meeting of the New Year will take place on Tuesday January 14th at 12:30 P.M. Our guest speaker will be Nancy Geib, RD, LD/N. from the Cleveland Clinic Martin Health Center for Diabetes and Nutrition. The program subject will be "Creating a Healthy Eating Plan".

On January 10th, Eve and Len Epstein will be sponsoring an Oneg in honor of their birthdays. On January 17th, Robert & Susan Polakow will be sponsoring an Oneg in honor of Alan Bornstein's 90th Birthday.

If you would like to sponsor an Oneg on a Friday evening, please contact the TBEI office to request a specific date. If that date is available, one of the Sisterhood Co-Presidents will contact you to confirm the date.

The Sisterhood Book Club will be meeting on January 7th, 2020 at noon, in the TBEI library. We will be discussing "Undress Me in the Temple of Heaven" by Susan Jane Gilman. A special Thank you to Hermas Grayless, who has arranged to borrow most of our book choices this year from the Port St Lucie library "Book in a Box" program.

Reservations are already beginning to come in for the February 11th card party and luncheon. Our annual Fashion show and luncheon will be April 21st. Be sure to hold both dates.

We hope to see all TBEI Members at our Friday evening onegs and program events.

Sisterhood Co-Presidents; Belle Sidel and Maryann Polk



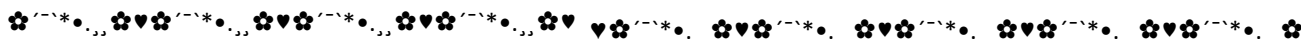
You can celebrate your special occasion with your friends, fellow congregants and/or relatives at an Oneg on a Friday Night at TBEI.

For a minimum of \$75 you can sponsor your special event. Why not sponsor an Oneg with friends for a joint celebration?

Two weeks prior notice would be greatly appreciated. Please call or email the Sisterhood Co-Presidents to make arrangements.



*Can you spare an hour a month to help set-up the Oneg on Friday mornings?
The Sisterhood needs volunteers . If you're available let Belle or Maryann know.*



TBEI Sisterhood Book Club



**Tuesday, January 7th, 2019
at 12:00 pm**

January's Book is:
Undress Me In the Temple of Heaven
by Susan J. Gilman

**For more information please call
Belle Sidel 772-785-5337 or Hermes Grayless 713-447-4507**

**The New Enjoyment Books are here
They are on sale in the Judaica Shop**



\$35

\$35

*We have many new & beautiful
items in the Judaica Shop*

Stop in and browse

BROTHERHOOD NEWS :

The TBEI Brotherhood wants to thank the many Temple members who attended (and brought friends to) our two major events last month: the HEALTH, GIFT & CRAFT FAIR and LATKES, LO MEIN & A MOVIE. Lots of folks had a good time, and we'll consider repeating both events in the future!

We were all deeply saddened by the loss of our friend Rich Schnabolk, who was not only a beloved member of the congregation, but also the Brotherhood secretary. This month, we will be announcing a fitting recognition of Rich, which has been discussed with his family, as well as a replacement for him on the Brotherhood board.

The entire congregation is invited to this month's Brotherhood general meeting, Tuesday, January 21, at 1 pm. Our guest speaker will be Jon Bell, Director of the Hallstrom Planetarium at IRSC since it opened in 1993, and Associate Professor of Astronomy at the college. As the year begins, Jon will explain what we can look forward to seeing in the night sky during 2020. (Note: the Brotherhood's January business meeting will follow Jon's presentation.) Bagels and coffee for all; please join us!

Ellis Bromberg ~ Brotherhood Co-president

My Parents.....

At seven ~ My parents are the smartest people in the world - they know everything

At seventeen ~ My parents don't know as much as I thought they did

At twenty-one ~ My parents don't know anything compared to me - they just don't understand the younger generation

At thirty-five ~ My parents knew much more than I thought they did. They were really quite wise

At fifty ~ My parents were always right. Everything they did was for my benefit!

**DON'T MISS OUR NEXT UPCOMING SHOW
ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH AT 7 P.M.
RABBI/COMEDIAN BOB ALPER**

PLEASE.....

Notify the Temple office or call the Rabbi if a family member, or if you are aware, a fellow congregant is ill, has had an accident, or is in need of the Rabbi's services.

The Rabbi can only help if he is informed that he is needed.

Temple Beth El Israel
PRESENTS

Rabbi & Comedian **Bob Alper**

Saturday
January 11, 2020
7:00 p.m.

Tickets \$25



Robert "Bob" Alper has a unique background. He is an ordained rabbi who served congregations in the northeast for 14 years and then began working full time as a comedian for the next 30 years. He still leads annual High Holy Days' services and bills himself as "the world's only practicing clergyman doing stand-up comedy—intentionally."

He has a wide following and has performed to adoring audiences all across North America—at corporate events, theatres, conventions, private events, churches, and, naturally, synagogues.

Tickets are available at the Temple office.

551 SW Bethany Drive, Port St. Lucie Tel: (772) 336-2424
Office hours: Mon-Thurs 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Fri 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

This past month:



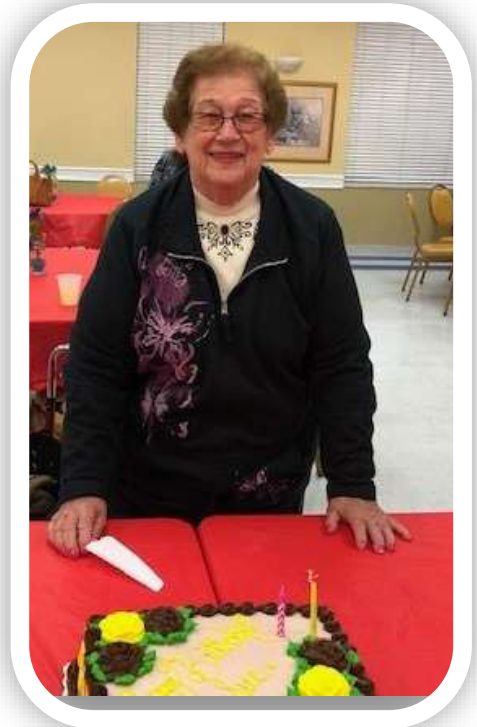
*We celebrated
Hannah Pollack's Birthday
with her family & friends*



*We celebrated
Sue Klatch's Birthday
with her temple family & friends*



If you take pictures at any of our functions,
please send them to me
so we can all share your photos.
Send them to: faithkrumenacker@comcast.net



Please join us.

On February 8th, we will be having our Annual Tu B'Shevat Seder following the Saturday morning service. Tu B'Shevat is the new year for trees and we will be eating traditional fruits, nuts and other foods to commemorate the holiday.



Stop in and visit our Judaica Shop.

We have many new and beautiful items on sale.

If you can't come in on a Friday night before services call for an appointment

Linda 871-1205

Faith 343-7639



On December 20th,
Linda Chazin,
Membership Chairperson
welcomed some of our
newest TBEI members
to our congregation
at a special service.



WE HAVE SO MANY GREAT EVENTS PLANNED FOR THE UPCOMING MONTHS

JOIN US AND SUPPORT OUR FUNCTIONS

Upcoming Family services will be on the following dates:

Join us for
Shabbat.



2020
January 10th
February 7th
March 6th
April 3rd
May 1st
June 1st

Friday night Torah services (usually the 3rd Friday each month):



2020
January 17th
February 21st
March 20th
April 17th
May 15th
June 19th

To Be or Not To Be.....

In March, the TBEI players will be presenting "SHAKESPEARE IN ADAR" the megillah according to William Shakespeare.... the entire story told in the words of the bard....

WE NEED A CAST!!

If you would like to appear in the Megillah by Shakespeare - LISTEN UP!!

Auditions will be held on Saturday January 18, after the Shabbat morning service (in the sanctuary). That's right around 12:00....

The performance will be directed by: SAUL BRONSTEIN. You will NOT be required to memorize your part of the script, although it will be great if you can.

We'll also need folks who can help us create costuming, etc.

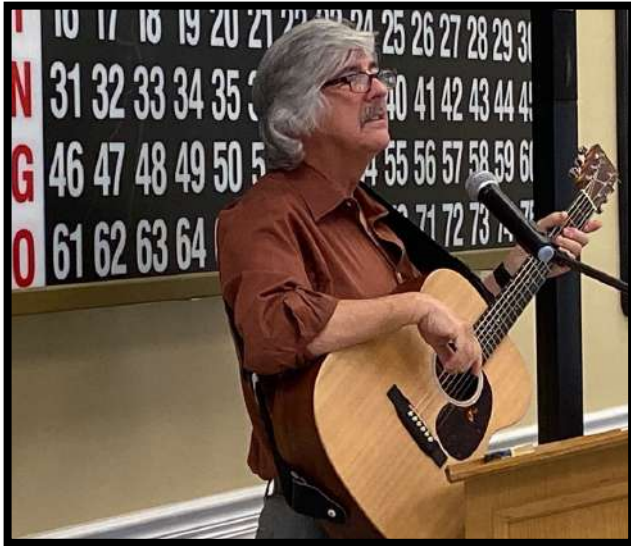
Let's do this and have some fun!!!

DO A "JUBER" MITZVAH ~ ~

IF YOU LIVE IN A COMMUNITY, OR NEAR WHERE SOMEONE ELSE LIVES, WHO CAN'T DRIVE AT NIGHT OR JUST NEEDS A RIDE TO GET TO THE TEMPLE, PLEASE CALL THE TEMPLE TO FIND OUT IF YOU CAN HELP ANOTHER MEMBER WHO WOULD LIKE TO COME TO SERVICES OR ANY OF OUR EVENTS OR SHOWS.

This past month:

*Sue's crew - the Sisterhood team -
that set up and cleaned up
at the recent
Paid-up Membership Luncheon*



*No.....Rabbi Benson is not calling Bingo -
he's entertaining us at the luncheon*





**PLEASE JOIN US AT THIS MONTH'S
HADASSAH MEETING
ON JANUARY 28TH AT 12:30 PM
OUR GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE
SPECIAL FBI AGENT
GAVIN GUMBINNER
WHO WILL BE SPEAKING
ABOUT SAFETY IN OUR COUNTRY**

Bring lunch - dessert will be provided

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I hope your New Year celebration was a good one and that you can fulfill all of your resolutions and be able to kick off the *enthusiasma* and join in the fun. Let me know if you have interest:

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Rabbi Bruce

A grateful thank you to everyone that has been helping at our Bingo game. Our game has been very successful and we could use help whenever you are able to give some time - any Monday between the hours of 5:30 and 9:15.



Our Sisterhood Paid Membership Luncheon

UNABLE TO GET TO TEMPLE TICKET OFFICE?
Complete the form below, enclose your check, mail to:
TBEI, 551 SW Bethany Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986
and we will have your tickets waiting at the door.
Tickets are NON REFUNDABLE.

<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Date of Event</u>	<u>Purchase Ticket Deadline</u>	<u>Price Per Ticket</u>	<u>Number Of Tickets</u>	<u>Total</u>
Rabbi/Comedian Bob Alper	January 11th	No deadline	\$25		
Sisterhood Card Party/Luncheon	February 11th	February 5th	\$20 pp		
Julie Budd Concert	February 22nd	No deadline	\$50	<i>Tickets must be purchased at the Lyric Theater or online on their website</i>	
Sisterhood~Brotherhood Dinner/Show	March 2	February 20th	\$36		
Trivia Night	March 28th	March 24th	\$15		

NAME: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____ TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____

Taken from Jewbelong:

Antisemitism is on the rise and we must all do our parts to stop it. Jews and allies need to be courageous, to call it out and to never make excuses for it. Antisemitism isn't new, but there are new and insidious strains of it. There's the familiar white supremacy movement that pretty much hates everyone who doesn't look like them, the run-of-the-mill anti-Semites, the subtle I-don't-really-mean-it-when-I talk-crap-about Jews kind, and a relatively new form of hate directed at Israel which crosses the line to antisemitism far too often. Anti-semitism is hate. Jews, Christians, Muslims, Hindus, atheists....literally everyone is worse off for it. Are we going to end it completely? Probably not. But that doesn't give us permission to throw our hands up and accept it, make excuses, or discount it. It's exactly the opposite. We must talk about it, write about it, learn about it, and call it out. No matter how difficult or uncomfortable, we can't ignore, chuckle along, or accept it. We've already learned the bitter lesson that true hate is never little, it is never unimportant, and it should never, ever be ignored.

Thank you to the following members for sponsoring an Oneg or Kiddush in the past month:

Ohel Moed Parents
Sisterhood
Hannah Pollack in honor of her 91st Birthday
Sue Klatch in Honor of her 84th Birthday
Faith Krumenacker, Sue Schlein & Sue Schwartz in memory of Rosalye Sapiro
Temple Membership Committee in honor of our new members
Ritual Committee in honor of Dan Wolf's 97th Birthday and in memory of his wife Ruth



Temple Beth El Israel



ADULT EDUCATION

Anti – Semitism

A Comprehensive Analysis of the Causes
and Consequences of Anti-Semitism
Through the Ages—From the Greco-Roman
Period to the Present Day.



A Ten Lecture Series
On Wednesdays from 10 a.m. – 11.a.m.



The last four weeks of this series:
January 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

Presented by Dr. Larry Giltman

This course is free. Everyone is welcome to attend.



SUNDAY BINGO IS BACK!!!

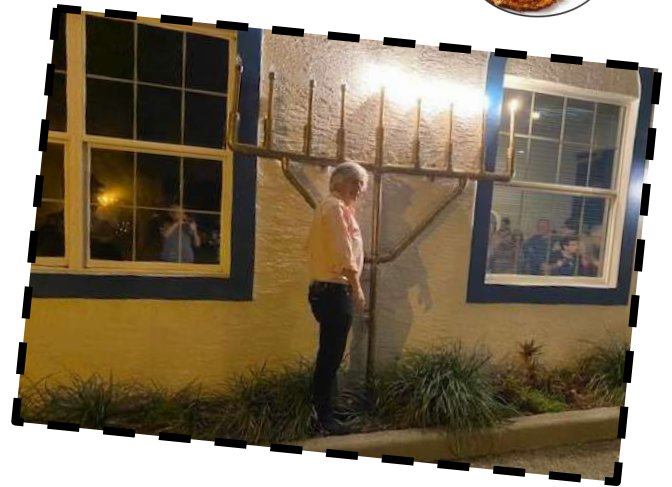
January 5th

Doors open at 1 p.m. - Game starts at 2 p.m.



We celebrated Chanukah twice ~

On December 25th at the Brotherhood Latkes/LoMein/Movie
and on Friday night when we all brought our Hanukiahs.

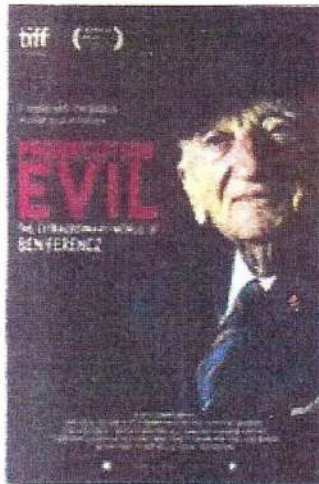


Rabbi Benson explained the correct way to
light our Chanukah Hanukiahs and the
meaning behind the Chanukah story.



**THIS FILM IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF
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Treasure Coast Jewish Film Festival



PROSECUTING EVIL

The fascinating story of Ben Ferencz - the last surviving Nuremberg prosecutor. After witnessing Nazi concentration camps shortly after liberation, Ferencz became lead prosecutor in the Einsatzgruppen case at Nuremberg, which has been called the biggest murder trial in history. He was 27 years old and it was his first trial. All 22 Nazi officials tried were convicted. He went on to advocate for restitution for Jewish victims of the Holocaust. His fight continues today.

Sunday January 12

Refreshments 2:00PM

Film 2:30 PM

Temple Beit HaYam

Stuart

772-286-1531

Please visit our remarkable website at www.tcjff.com

See trailers, schedule and much more

DONATIONS ARE \$6.00 PER PERSON

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There will be a discussion, led by the Rabbis, following the film.

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Temple
Beit HaYam

Sisterhood

January Birthdays

2	Leonard Epstein
3	Nicholas Giordano
5	Samuel C. Levy
6	Carol Seigel
7	Benjamin Rosichan-Nader
7	Jacob Rosichan-Nader
7	Janet Soloshatz
8	Eve Epstein
8	Sandra Wishnia
12	Leslie Giordano
12	Carol Honig
14	J. Alan Bornstein
14	Martin Cohen
14	Howard Derector
14	Lory Dobrin
16	Betty Rubackin
20	Dr. Sandra Jaffe Colvett
21	Stanley Stein
23	Richard Goldsmith
23	Arnold Stillman
24	Julia Marie Argenziano
24	Debra Roth
27	Doris Babkes
27	Richard Weissel
28	Raymond Feldman
30	Joel Rosenberg
30	Evan James Schultz
31	Doris Haendel



CONGRATULATIONS

חג שמחה

January Anniversaries



15	Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Kreiss
18	Mr. & Mrs. William Weber
31	Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Honig

מזל טוב

If you don't see your birthday or anniversary listed in the Shofar contact the Temple office and ask to have your special day included on our list.

Tu B'Shevat Babka

Ingredients

For the dough:

- 1 Tbsp dry active yeast
- 1/2 tsp sugar
- 1/2 cup lukewarm water
- 3 1/2 – 4 1/2 cups unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup barley flour
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 cup milk or almond milk
- 3/4 cup olive oil
- 2 eggs

For the filling:

- 1 cup dried figs, cut in half
- 1 cup pitted dates
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 cup wine or grape juice
- 1 Tbsp pomegranate molasses
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1 tsp cinnamon

For the topping: (topping is optional)
date honey (silan)
slivered almonds

Directions

Place yeast and sugar in a small bowl. Add lukewarm water and set aside until foamy, around 5-10 minutes.

In a stand mixer fitted with dough hook or a large bowl, mix together flours, sugar, vanilla and cinnamon. Start with 3 1/2 cups of flour, and add more later if dough seems too sticky. Add milk and olive oil.

Add the eggs one at a time.

When the dough begins to come together, after about 3-5 minutes, turn out onto a floured surface and knead vigorously for 5-10 minutes. Or if using a stand mixer, switch to high and mix another 4-5 minutes. Dough should be shiny, elastic and very soft when it is done. If dough is sticking too much, add more flour 1/4 cup at a time until dough is not longer sticking.

Place dough in a greased bowl with a damp towel on top. Allow to rise for 1-2 hours.



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IDA RUBIN BOOK OF LIFE

GET WELL WISHES TO CECILE LEVY:

Naomi Saphire & Ruth Siegel
Doris Haendel
Maryann Polk
Lynne & Michel Cohn
Sheila & Arnold Marks



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO HANNAH POLLACK:

Carolyn, Bob & Jeremy Levine

GET WELL SAUL INFELD:

Karol & Richard Levine
Lynne & Michael Cohn

CONDOLENCES TO GARY SCHNABOLK & FAMILY IN MEMORY OF RICHARD SCHNABOLK:

Rochelle Lustig
Naomi Saphire & Ruth Siegel

PLEASE CALL KAROL LEVINE
TO SEND IDA RUBIN CARDS
240-285-3039

LEAH WILLIAMSON CHAPTER OF HADASSAH

The next General Meeting is
Tuesday, January 28th
at 12:30 pm

Our guest speaker will be
FBI Special Agent Gavin Gumbinner
He will be speaking about
safety in our country

Refreshments will be served
Bring your lunch

Arlene Schweitzer & Sue Schwartz
Co-Presidents



*Please call Miriam Cassel
at 336-3819 to volunteer
for a Haftorah reading.*

JANUARY ONEG SPONSORS HAFTORAH READERS & KIDDUSH SPONSORS

SPONSOR/OCCASION	HAFTORAH READER/SPONSOR/OCCASION
1/3 Oneg Sponsored by Sisterhood	1/4 Read by Rabbi Benson Kiddush sponsored by Ritual
1/10 Oneg Sponsored by Len & Eve Epstein	1/11 Read by Claire Falik Kiddush sponsored by Ritual
1/17 Oneg Sponsored by Bob & Susan Polakow In Honor of Alan Bornstein's 90th Birthday	1/18 Read by Fran Cooper Kiddush sponsored by Alan Bornstein In honor of his 90th Birthday
1/24 Oneg Sponsored by Sisterhood	1/25 Read by Marty Kahn Kiddush sponsored by Ritual
1/31 Oneg Sponsored by Sisterhood	

ADULT ED IS HERE!!

Dr Larry Giltman's lecture series entitled:

"A Comprehensive analysis of the causes and consequences of Anti-Semitism through the ages--From the Greco-Roman period to the present day."

This course is continuing on the following dates:

January 8, 15, 22 and 29.

There is no charge for this course.

***For more information about
what's happening
in the Temple
check out the flyers
in this issue of the Shofar,
or go online to TBEI.org***

Friday night Candle Lighting Schedule:



January:

3	5:24 pm
10	5:29 pm
17	5:35 pm
24	5:40 pm
31	5:45 pm



Lighting the Shabbat Candles:

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם
אשר קדשנו במצותיו וצונו
להדליק נר של שבת: (אמן)

Baruch ata Adonay, Eloheynu melech ha-olam, asher kid-shanu b'mitz-votuv, v'tzivanu l'hadlik nayr shel Shabbat.

Praised are You, Lord our G-d, King of the universe, who has taught us the way of holiness through the Mitzvot, and enjoined upon us the kindling of the Shabbat lights.



If you or anyone you know would like to advertise in our monthly newsletter please contact the Temple office for details.

Rates are as follows per year:

FULL PAGE.....	\$325.00
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QUARTER PAGE.....	\$145.00
BUSINESS CARD.....	95.00
ONE-TIME FULL PAGE.....	\$ 40.00 / ISSUE

Print-ready ads must be submitted no later than August 10th for the September issue. Please send your ad to:

faithkrumenacker@comcast.net



TREE OF LIFE AND MEMORIAL PLAQUES

Bronze - \$100

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Gold - \$200

Memorial Plaques - \$200

Call the Temple office @ 336-2424
to reserve a leaf or memorial plaque



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The background of the flyer is decorated with various Mahjong tiles and playing cards. At the top left, there's a '伍萬' (50,000) tile. Below it is a '中' (Center) tile. To the right, there are several other tiles including a '5' of a suit, a '10' of a suit, and a '5' of a suit. On the right side, there's a Queen of Spades playing card. At the bottom left, there's a King of Spades playing card. At the bottom right, there's a '7' of a suit and a '2' of a suit. In the center, there's a '中' (Center) tile. At the bottom, there are three tiles: '三萬' (30,000), '六萬' (60,000), and '九萬' (90,000).

Sisterhood of Temple Beth El Israel

Presents

**Luncheon/
Mah Jongg/Card Party**

Catered by **TOOJAY'S**

**Tuesday, February 11, 2020
at 11:30 a.m.**

Tickets - \$20 per person

Tickets available at the Temple Office

551 SW Bethany Drive Port St. Lucie
(772) 336-2424

Open 10-4 Monday through Thursday ~ 10-3 Friday
Ticket Sale Deadline is February 6, 2020

FOOD CHOICES

Turkey Sandwich _____
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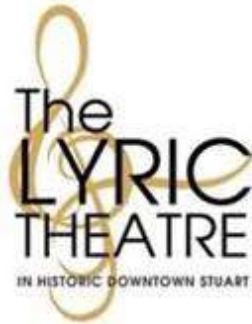
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Our Monthly TBEI Library Book Review.....by Sheilah Korinow

I am one of those people who very much enjoys a book that is loaded with many photographs and other visual items. I know others do too. In The Jewish Americans, by J.J. Goldberg, we find a "visually stimulating" book about "How the Jews Arrived and Became Part of America's Heritage". There is a text that flows through the book, setting the scene for all of the photographs, sketching, engravings, woodcuts, and paintings, giving the reader a much needed background of information, But I do believe the visual aids can convey feelings which can in no way be explained just by words alone.

The author shows how the Jewish people has contributed so much to the growth of America. They started as a small band of 23 refugees from the Portuguese Inquisition, dumped on Manhattan's docks in 1654 by an unfriendly sea-captain who would take them no further, and became the most successful community in the long history of the Jewish diaspora. The book tells the story of their life in the New World from the point of view of those who lived it. What were their successes? What were their problems? What was their discrimination like? How did they keep their community and their faith? Their stories are full of all types of individuals: soldiers, gangsters, statesmen, rabbis, tailors and many more.

The book is divided into eight chapters, in chronological order. Just to give you an idea of what's within these pages, I'll supply you the name of the chapter and some examples of what it contains, starting with the Introduction.

Introduction

- Photo of immigrant children in 1910, waiting with baggage in the entrance hall at Ellis Island. What emotions do their faces show?

Also, photo of Albert Einstein as he celebrates his 70th birthday at home in New Jersey with a group of European children who survived the Holocaust.

Chapter 1 - "Before America"

-Engraving of Solomon's Temple in ancient Jerusalem

Chapter 2 - "The Colonial Era and the Young Republic"

-Portrait of Haym Salomon, portrait of Reverend Gershom Mendes Seixas, lay minister of New York Congregation Shearith Israel. He was one of the invited clergies at the inauguration of President George Washington in 1789, portrait of Rebecca Gratz, Philadelphia philanthropist, the model for the character of Rebecca in *Ivanhoe* and was the founder of the first Hebrew Sunday School and the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society. Lastly there is a copy of "The Jew Bill", finally passed in 1825 in Maryland, giving Jews the right to hold office in that state.

Chapter 3 - "The Coming of the Germans"

-photo of Julius Meyer and Native Americans, was an Indian trader, interpreter, and trusted adviser to the Plains Indian Chiefs, photo of frontier Jews on a community picnic in Montana with their rabbi, photo of Levi Strauss, a dry goods peddler who joined the Gold Rush and was known for his denim "blue jeans", popular among the miners, photo of Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise - part of the German immigrant wave to America. He became the leader of Reform Judaism. Also, an engraving from 1865, of a "high-society" Purim costume ball. Then more photographs, one of Judah P. Benjamin, "the brains of the Confederacy", serving as its attorney-general, then as Secretary of War and finally Secretary of State, and a photo of Commodore Uriah P. Levy, a man highly decorated known to be responsible for ending flogging in the U.S. Navy. Lastly there is a copy of an advertisement for a Georgian Jewish slave trader

Chapter 4 - "The Jews of Russia and the Great Immigration"

- This chapter contains interesting photos showing: Ellis Island, a Russian Jew who went west shown on his peddler's wagon, grand Jewish structures such as The Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, Yeshiva University of New York and a synagogue in Montana, a Lower East Side street in 1910, a Jewish family doing low-wage government "piece work", and finally photos of Jewish Gangsters such as Meyer Lansky, Nathan Kaplan, Louis "Iepke" Buchalter and more.

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While dough is rising, make filling.

Combine all filling ingredient in a saucepan over medium heat. Bring to a boil, then reduce for 10 minutes, until liquid has reduced to slightly more than half. Allow to cool slightly. Place in food processor and pulse.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Cut dough into two parts. Roll out each section of dough until it is a rectangular-like shape. Spread with filling. Working from the shorter side, roll up dough using quick fingers, like you would in order to make cinnamon rolls.

Once the dough is a long log, cut it straight down the middle so the filling is exposed. Secure the ends on one side, and twist both the pieces. Pinch and secure at the other end.

Place in a greased loaf pan. Allow to rise another 10-20 minutes. Sprinkle top with slivered almonds if desired (this step is optional).

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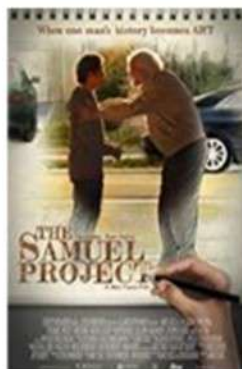
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<i>April</i>	<i>~ No Meeting ~</i>	
<i>May 5th</i>	<i>People of the Book</i>	<i>Geraldine Brooks</i>
<i>June 2nd</i>	<i>We Were the Lucky Ones</i>	<i>Georgia Hunter</i>

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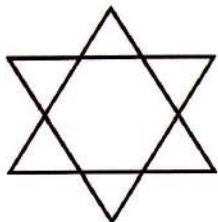
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Chapter 5 - "The Community Finds a Voice"

- There are photos of family gatherings and holiday celebrations such as: a cooking class for girls and a printing class for boys, both in community-run trade schools for poor Jewish youths, and a gathering in a beautiful sukkah.

Chapter 6 - "The Jazz Age"

- This chapter contains photos of Al Jolson in the film "The Jazz Singer", Jews who went into the music field such as songwriter George Gershwin of "Rhapsody in Blue" and "Porgy and Bess" fame, and Sophie Tucker of "My Yiddisha Mama" fame.

The film industry is represented by photos of David O. Selznick, son-in-law of L.B. Mayer, Jack Warner (the youngest of the four Warner Brothers, originally Eichelbaum), and Louis B. Mayer, founder of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios. Don't forget the Yiddish Theater which flourished between 1880 and WW II, with movie posters of Yiddish plays.

TV was also transformed into a major industry by small groups of Jewish entrepreneurs. With photos of William Paley - founder of CBS, Milton Berle (Mendel Berlinger), and Ethel Merman (Ethel Zimmerman). Also, there are photos of the time before WWI, including that of Leo Frank who was lynched by a Christian mob in 1915.

Chapter 7 - "Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Hitler"

- Photos of this time period include one of Albert Einstein, sworn in as a U.S. citizen, Jews marching, rallying and fasting to end Nazism (1930's and 1940's), a march through downtown Chicago with 25,000 Jews, and a group of Orthodox rabbis march on Congress demanding U.S. military action to save European Jews.

The results of the war are also shown through photographs - as Viennese children enter New York harbor, and President Truman with a Torah scroll presented by Chaim Weizmann, Israel's first President. The last photo in 1949 is an impressive gathering of 150,000 Jews in New York City on the first anniversary of Israel.

Chapter 8 - "At Home at Last"

- In this chapter, we see Jewish activism at work. There are photos of Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel joining with Martin Luther King Jr. in a 1965 "freedom march" in Alabama, a Washington rally in 1987 of 250,000 people to demand freedom for Soviet Jews, Ethel and Julius Rosenberg - charged in 1951 on passing atomic secrets to the Soviets, and Albert Einstein presents the "Albert Einstein Award" - just two decades after Harvard and Princeton had dropped their "Jewish quotas". Other photos show us how Hollywood no longer avoided openly Jewish images such as anti-Semitism, the birth of Israel, and Jewish families. The 60's include photos of Bob Dylan, of three Supreme Court Justices (Goldberg, Frankfurter, and Fortas), but of course the book needs updating due to its statement: "no Jewish justices have been appointed since then." The 80's have photos of Henry Kissinger, and a New York Salute to Israel parade on 5th Ave. Jews were leaving their mark everywhere. Open the pages and you will see photos of Woody Allen (Allen Koenigsberg), Mel Brooks (Melvin Kaminsky), Ed Asner, Henry Winkler Edward Koch, Bella Abzug, and Nobel Prize winner Elie Wiesel.

By now, your heads must be full of faces and places. But so is our story in the history of America. Why did I list so many photographs in the book? Perhaps because they are able to relate even more information than words in the accompanying text. But it is helpful to read the text of the book - it not only organizes the information, but it is able to help you relate this information with many of the photos. Please remember, the book includes many more photos than I have mentioned.

I know that many of you, like me, enjoy the experiences of viewing more than just words, as helpful as they may be. Nothing says more than the photo on page 9. What are these children thinking about while waiting in Ellis Island? What are their feelings? It's the photograph that helps you digest the information you've been given in the text and transform it into a better understanding of what is going on in this photo and in others.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA SIGN UP FOR OUR POT LUCK/COVERED DISH AND JOIN US FOR A FUN DINNER ON FEBRUARY 28TH			Join us for Shabbat. 			1 6 SHEVA'  Bo 9 AM Torah Study 9:30 AM Ohel Moed 10 AM Service 6 PM Meal and a Movie
2 7 SHEVAT 9:30 AM Sanctuary Rental	3 8 SHEVAT 12:30 PM Bridge 5:30 PM Bingo	4 9 SHEVAT 10 AM Sisterhood Board Mtg 12 PM Sisterhood Book Club 6 PM Ohel Moed	5 10 SHEVAT 8:30 AM Weight Watchers 12:30 PM Bridge 7:30 PM Brotherhood Board Meeting	6 11 SHEVAT 8:30 AM Weight Watchers 12 PM Weight Watchers 6:30 PM Weight Watchers	7 12 SHEVAT  5:48 12:30 PM Bridge 7 PM Family Service 	8 13 SHEVA'  Beshallah 9 AM Torah Study 9:30 AM Ohel Moed 10 AM Service 
9 14 SHEVAT 9:30AM Sanctuary Rental 2 PM Treasure Coast Jewish Film Festival - TBEI 	10 15 SHEVAT Tu B'Shvat 12:30 PM Bridge 5:30 PM Bingo	11 16 SHEVAT 11:30 AM Sisterhood MahJong/Card Party 6 PM Ohel Moed 	12 17 SHEVAT  Lincoln's Birthday 8:30 AM Weight Watchers 12:30 PM Bridge 7:30 Temple Board Meeting	13 18 SHEVAT 8:30 AM Weight Watchers 12 PM Weight Watchers 6:30 PM Weight Watchers	14 19 SHEVAT  5:53 12:30 PM Bridge 7:30 PM Service	15 20 SHEVA'  Yitro 9 AM Torah Study 9:30 AM Ohel Moed 10 AM Service
16 21 SHEVAT 9:30 AM Sanctuary Rental	17 22 SHEVAT  Washington's Birthday (observed) Office Closed 12:30 PM Bridge 5:30 PM Bingo	18 23 SHEVAT 1 PM Brotherhood General Meeting 7:30 PM Ritual Committee Meeting	19 24 SHEVAT 8:30 AM Weight Watchers 12:30 PM Bridge	20 25 SHEVAT 8:30 AM Weight Watchers 12 PM Weight Watchers 6:30 PM Weight Watchers	21 26 SHEVAT  5:57 12:30 PM Bridge 7:30 PM Torah Service	22 27 SHEVA'  Mishpatim  Parashat Shekalim 9 AM Torah Study 9:30 AM Ohel Moed 10 AM Service 7 PM Julie Budd Lyric Theater
23 28 SHEVAT 9:30 AM Sanctuary Rental	24 29 SHEVAT 12:30 PM Bridge 5:30 PM Bingo	25 30 SHEVAT Rosh Chodesh Adar - Day 1 10:30 Hadassah Board Meeting 12:30 PM Hadassah General Meeting 7:30 Fundraising Meeting	26 1 ADAR Rosh Chodesh Adar - Day 2 8:30 AM Weight Watchers 12:30 PM Bridge	27 2 ADAR 8:30 AM Weight Watchers 12 PM Weight Watchers 6:30 PM Weight Watchers 7 PM Cemetery Board Meeting	28 3 ADAR  6:02 Shabbat Across America Pot Luck Dinner 12:30 PM Bridge 7:30 PM Service	29 4 ADAF  Terumah 9 AM Torah Study 9:30 AM Ohel Moed 10 AM Service



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