



Temple B'nai Abraham

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Dear Temple B'nai Abraham Community

I trust everyone is having a great summer. This is a time of relaxation and rebirth in the Jewish calendar. As I write this on July 25th, we are only a day removed from Tisha Ba'Av, the only other major fast other than Yom Kippur and the saddest day in Jewish history. On Tisha Ba'Av we commemorate not only destruction of the first and second Temples, but also the end of the Bar Cochba revolt in 140 ACE, the Explosion from Spain in 1492 ACE, and a bevy of other Jewish defeats over the past 2500 years. Unlike Yom Kippur where we work on our own needs and mourn our own losses, Tisha Ba'Av is about suffering on a national level. However, there at the nadir of our faith, we begin to rebuild and look forward to the year before. And, yes, that year is fast upon us.

This year Rosh Hashanah comes early. On the evening of Wednesday, September 12th, we will begin the new Jewish year, 5768. This means that we will have only one Friday night service in September before the High Holidays. For me, as a rabbi, this is a good thing as the beginning of the calendar year at B'nai Abraham is almost parallel to the beginning of the actual Hebrew calendar. And, what a full year we have ahead of us. I encourage you to look at the calendar included in this newsletter and also the one on the web at www.bnai-abraham.org. Let us pray together for a good start of the year and a year full of blessings and wonder. I pray that we have many opportunities to be together, sharing both sadness and your simchas. As your spiritual leader, I pray that I have the strength to face the challenges and adversity and the ability to be present and share in your many joys.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, you deserve it.

B'Shalom,
Rabbi Alex



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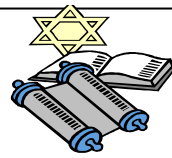
Yahrzeits

There are no shabbat services in the month of July and August.

Yahrtzeit for the Summer Months

July
 July 6 Claudette Fishmann, mother of Linda Osman
 July 6 Julie Kwait, sister of Marcy schwartz
 July 7 Max Light, father of Patricia Light-Tolomeo
 July 6, Sam Shain, father of Rick Shain
 July 10 Abraham Zeitz, father of Carl Zeitz
 July 12 Lester Bird, father-in-law of Sandy SchwartzBird
 July 19 Beatrice Busch, mother of Phyllis Busch
 July 19 Bernard Shain, father of Betsy Ramos
 July 20 Lulu Cohen, grandmother of Sandra Cohen
 July 26 Alice Mervish, mother of Shyrle Kushner
 July 24 Celia Schwartz, mother of Marcy Schwartz
 July 27 Lou Rosenberg, father of Ellen Wehrman

August
 August 3 Abraham Kaiser, father of Eileen Gale
 August 1 Elaine Zeitz, wife of Carl Zeitz
 August 4 Louis Rosen, father of Gerald Rosen
 August 15 Norman Goldman, father of Bonnie Goldman and Jeffrey Goldman, father-in-law of Rhea Goldman
 August 14 Selma Bloom, mother of Randy Bloom
 August 29 Jerome Epstein, grandfather of Brian Epstein
 August 26 Bonnie Ross, mother of Jack Ross
 August 27 Julius Lederman, father of Steven Lederman
 August 30 Jack Bagan, husband of Bea Bagan, father-in-law of Carl Zeitz



Shabbat Services and New Year Schedule for September

Friday September 7th First Service of the Year. 7:30PM Oneq Shabbat hosted by Temple President Betsy Ramos and Sisterhood President Shira Lowry. We will remember Deanne Klein, sister of Arlene Speiser, Elinore Roth, mother of Elaine Trackman, Harry Roseman, father of Renee Harrison, Ida Goldman, wife of Hyman Goldman, Robert Klein, father of Ashirah Lazarus-Klein, Zelda Goldman, mother of Norman Goldman
Light Candles 7:04PM

Rosh Hashanah

Erev Rosh Hashanah – Wednesday September 12th, 7:30PM **Light Candles 6:55PM**
First Day– Thursday September 13th 9:30 to 12 noon
Tashlich 12:30PM **Light Candles after 7:52PM**
Thursday night family service and pot luck 6PM
Second Day– Friday September 14 9:30AM
Friday Evening Services 7:30PM **Light Candles 6:52PM**

Yom Kippur

Kol Nidre Friday September 21 6PM **Light Candles 6:40PM**
Day of Atonement Saturday September 22 9:30AM
Yizkor Approximately 11:30AM, Minchah, 5:30PM,
Break the Fast 7:30PM

Friday September 28th 7:30PM Shabbat Services in the Sukkah. We will remember Nissim Nissim, father of Martin Nissim.
Lights Candles 6:30 PM

Guest tickets for the High Holidays

Each member is entitled to one guest ticket at \$25. Additional tickets are \$100 for non-members. Contact Mike Rosen or Kim Ehrlich, or just send in check with names of guests to the Temple. Send a note identifying the check is for the tickets. Remember, any amount paid toward High Holiday tickets will be put toward membership dues if the person joins the Temple that year.

Membership Drive for 2007-08

As an incentive for our members to find new members to join the temple, the board has approved the following: for every new member referred to the temple, you will receive \$100 off of your dues the first year they join. Please have the new member indicate that you referred them to obtain the benefit of this promotion.

Temple Board Meeting – August 27th, 7:30PM at Jen Carton's home.

Social Action

Many thanks to Robin Afrime for her help with food delivery to the motel this summer!

Teen Group

The joint teen group, with 8-12 graders from TBA, String of Pearls and Congregation Kehillat Shalom, will be starting up again in the fall!

We have two new leaders who are students at Princeton University. All interested in participating, please contact Abbie and Sam Shain at 324-0571, so you'll be added to the e-list.

Programs and Services Available to Temple and Sisterhood Members

Sisterhood Joy and Sorrow

Cards of sympathy, good cheer, or mazel tov, are available through Sarah Seidel Sisterhood at a cost of \$2.50 minimum. Contact Rita Nissim at 298-5357.

Temple Joy and Sorrow

Cards of sympathy or good wishes are available through Temple B'nai Abraham at a cost of \$5 minimum. Contact Sharon Dauber at 291-9169.

Torah Prayer Books (Chumashim)

For those interested in purchasing a torah prayer book in honor of or in memory of someone, the cost is \$75. If interested, please call or e-mail Betsy Ramos. You may also sponsor our existing Siddur at a cost of \$35.00.

General Donations

For anyone interested in making a general donation to the synagogue that does not fit into any of the above categories, of course, the synagogue will be happy to accept the donation. You may send a check to Temple B'nai Abraham, P.O. Box 245, Bordentown, NJ and indicate whether it is for a special occasion and whether you would like the synagogue to send an acknowledgment to someone. If it is a non-temple member, please provide his/her/their name(s) and address

Memorial Plaques

Memorial plaques are available at \$200 each. To order, please send the following information IN WRITING to Sid Morginstin, plaque chairman (PO Box 8101, Trenton NJ or e-mail Sidmorgy@verizon.net. (1) English name of deceased (2) Hebrew name of deceased. (3) Date of death in the Gregorian (English) calendar. After the plaque has been put up, you will be billed. Plaques will not be moved from one board to another.

Cat's Meow Temple Collectors' Plaque

Sarah Seidel Sisterhood has available the Cat's Meow Collectors' plaque of our Temple for sale at \$10.00. The plaques are imprinted on the back with the date of our establishment, and signed by the artist. Contact Eileen Gale at 291-0220.



With our School

Open House Sunday, September 9th 10:00 to 12 Noon

Sunday September 16 Sunday School 9:30 to 10:30
Hebrew School 10:30 to 12:30

Thursday, September 20 Hebrew School 4:30 to 6:30

Sunday September 23 Hebrew-Sunday School
10:00 to 12:00 Building Sukkah

Thursday September 27 Hebrew School Decorating
Sukkah

Building and decorating Sukkah dates subject to change.

BREAK THE FAST SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 22

Temple B'nai Abraham and Sarah Seidel Sisterhood invite you and your family to join us for Break the Fast (around 7:00PM).

Cost is \$10.00 adult, Children 6 -12 \$5.00, with children under 5 free.

Families attending are asked to bring a prepared covered dish, which you can sign up for with your reservation. Volunteers are also needed to help set up and clean up. Please contact Karen Nissim at 298-4845 or NeilN64@aol.com with your reservations. **which are required by September 12th**. Send your payment in advance to Karen Nissim, 38 Thompson St., Bordentown, NJ 08505. Checks should be made payable to Sarah Seidel Sisterhood.

Thank you and LaShana Tovah umtukah!

Knitting Group

The Knitters have opened up the group to all hand-crafters. Bring any projects you may be working on, i.e. scrapbooking, stamping, embroidery and of course knitting and crocheting. We will meet on September 24th at 7:30PM at the Temple. The Temple is a centrally located site for all and we will have a cozy fun social evening.. Plan your fall/winter projects in the next two months and join us for our monthly get-together. Any questions or concerns, contact Betsy at 298-0437 or Eileen at 291-0220.

The first sisterhood meeting will be a dinner meeting at the home of President Shira Lowry on September 17 at 7PM. More information will follow i.e. car pooling. This will be an exciting new way to start the year off. Shira: 324-0072

Sisterhood board meeting will be Sept. 9th.

Donations

Temple

Yahrtzeit

In Memory of

Sol Schaffer from Henry and Rhoda Kessler
Abraham Zeitz from Carl Zeitz
Anna Harrison from Renee Harrison
Bernard Shain from Betsy Ramos
Robert Gale from Bootsie and Arnold Weiss
Louis Rosenberg from John and Ellen Wehrman
Oscar Wasserman from Linda Bowker
Edith Trackman from Elaine and Jay Trackman
Jack Roth from Elaine and Jay Trackman

Prayer Books In Memory of

Charlie & Honey Ann Kanefsky from Sandy SchwartzBird and Bruce Bird
Rose Goodman from Sandy SchwartzBird & Bruce Bird and The Schwartzberg Family

Sisterhood

In Memory of

Marie Arditti from Phoebe and Jeff Nissim, Lee and Marcel Nissim, Barbara and Jeff Streisfeld
Robert Gale from Elaine and Jay Trackman, Phyllis Chudoff, Robin and Steve Affrime, Evelyn Rothman, Charyl and Sid Morginstin, Randye Bloom and Michael Scolaro, Neil and Karen Nissim, Phyllis and Is Kamer
Bernice Dickerman from Barbara and Jeff Streisfeld
Mrs. A. Topilow from Berny and Arlene Speiser

Joy and Sorrow

Happy Anniversary greetings to Phyllis and Is Kamer from Rhoda and Henry Kessler.
Get well wishes to Joan Horwitz from Renee Harrison
Get Well wishes to Is Kamer from Elaine and Jay Trackman, Eileen Gale, Charyl and Sid Morginstin, Shyrle and Sol Kushner, Lee and Marcel Nissim, Rhoda and Henry Kessler, Randye Bloom and Michael Scolaro

Mazel Tov

Ellen Wehrman from Charyl and Sid Morginstin on your Bordentown City honoree
Greg Rosen from Elaine and Jay Trackman on your graduation
Len Nemeroff from Eileen Gale on becoming President of Hamilton Rotary
Hannah Osman from Marcia and Mike Rosen on your Bat Mitzvah
Mike and Renee Saraco from Randye Bloom and Michael Scolaro on the birth of your first grandchild.

In Honor Of

Susan Giachetti, Shira Lowry, Charyl Morginstin, Robin Albanese, Betsy Ramos and Jill Popko from Linda and Mark Osman

Mazel Tov to Greg Rosen, son of Marcia and Michael Rosen, 2007 graduating Bordentown Regional Senior. Greg received the John Phillip Sousa music award for Outstanding Achievement in concert band at graduation. He was also Prom King. Greg will be attending Philadelphia University of the Arts as a trumpet major.

Mazel Tov to 8th grade graduates Brittany Friedman and Amanda Marsh. Brittany received many honors, including a scholarship award for female student with the highest overall grades in her graduating class, Presidents Award for Academic Excellence, Young Artist award and Directors Award. She will be taking all honors classes at the high school.

Mazel Tov to Bonnie Friedman for completing her school year with a 3.6GPA and making the Deans List at The College of New Jersey.

Thank you Marcia Rosen for the generous donation to our Granola Bar collection for Home Front.

Thank you Nina and Lev Gayevsky for your generous donation to our temple.

Thank you Karen Nissim for the beautiful flora arrangements that graced the tables at the Sisterhood covered dish.

Please make the following corrections to your address list: Rabbi Alex has a new email address: lazarusklein@yahoo.com, the correct spelling of Patricia **Light-Tolomeo**, and add new email for Richard Shain, shain30@hotmail.com.

Thank you Sandy SchwartzBird for once again designing the New Year card for the temple.

We extend our condolences to the Family of Robert Gale

Please send your remittance for the New Year Card made out to Sarah Seidel Sisterhood, to Rita Nissim, 5 Germantown Rd., Bordentown, NJ 08505 and indicate how you want your name to appear. The card is sent to the community and is not to be confused with the memorial booklet that Randye Bloom compiles. You can also send your membership dues of \$25.00 for Sisterhood at the same time, saving time and stamp.

Reminder also to send to Randye Bloom, your names and remittance for the memorial booklet for Yom Kippur.

The family of Robert Gale thank you for your kind expressions of condolences and donations.

Submit articles for September newsletter by September 5th.

2007-2008 Host List for Oneg Shabbats Luncheons and Sisterhood Meetings

The list of host/hostesses will be in the next newsletter. Betsy Ramos and Shira Lowry will be the hostesses for the first Shabbat Service on September 7th.

Shira Lowry will host the first sisterhood **dinner** meeting on September 17, 2007

Message from Past co-president of Sisterhood

"I just wish to say that I really missed being an active member of the congregation last year. It was my first year back to school after a very long time; I was a full time student and full time working single mom. There was little time left over for anything else. I want to thank the members that jumped in and helped out Debby Weiss and taking on the responsibility of my role as co-president of the sisterhood. Thank you also Debby for the great job. It was a wonderful experience for me. I look forward to seeing everyone in the fall."

Bonnie

Temple membership dues statements have been mailed. Please return your remittance promptly. Make sure you make any corrections on the statement of names, address, phone number, e-mail address and whether or not you would like the newsletter mailed or via e-mail.

Please note, the editor of the newsletter will be away the last two weeks of August, therefore, this is not a complete calendar, but one that has the dates of Services for the holidays and Hebrew School dates. There will be an official calendar in an early September newsletter.



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9 Hebrew School Open House 10 – 12 Noon Sisterhood Board Meeting	10	11	12 Rosh Hashanah First Night 7:30- 9:00PM	13 Rosh Hashanah First Day 9:30AM - 12:00PM -Tashlich 12:30PM - 1:30PM Rosh Hashanah Family Service 6:00-7:00PM	14 Rosh Hashanah Second Day 9:30AM - 12:00PM Friday Night Services 7:30 - 9:00PM	15
16 Sunday School 9:30-10:30 Hebrew School 10:30-12:30PM	17 Sisterhood Dinner Meeting Shira Lowry's home 7PM All are welcome	18	19	20 Hebrew School 4:30 to 6:30	21 Yom Kippur Kol Nidrei 6:00PM - 8:00PM	22 Yom Kippur Morning 9:30AM Yizkor 11:30AM Minchah/Neilah 5:30PM Break Fast 7:30PM - 9:00PM
23 Hebrew School Building Sukkah 10 to 12 noon	24 Knitting/Craft Get together at the Temple	25	26	27 Hebrew School - Sukkah Decorating 4:30PM - 6:30PM Food Delivery 5:15- 6:30PM	28 Friday Night in the Sukkah 7:30PM - 9:00PM	29
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