



Temple Beth Tikvah

*Serving the North Orange County
Jewish Community since 1964*

WHO WE ARE

Temple Beth Tikvah takes pride in being the center of Jewish life in North Orange County. TBT's mission is to encourage and promote the continuity of our rich Jewish heritage and traditions. Our congregation, working along with the larger Jewish community, creates the environment and the opportunities to gather together for prayer, for meaningful lifelong Jewish learning, and for social interactions and cultural experiences.



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December 2009



Kislev-Tevet 5770

TBT Men's Club Bingo Night

Ages 21+

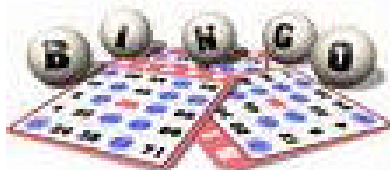
Saturday, December 19, 2009
Chinese Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Bingo 7:30 p.m.



\$35.00/person (includes dinner)
(Fundraiser - All Proceeds go to Project Legacy)

Food * All Cash Prizes * Fun

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Message from Rabbi Milhander

Dear Friends,



For me, December is the strangest month of the year. On the one hand, it is a month of relaxation and celebration. With the kids off from school and with the Temple in “quiet” mode, I take a few weeks of (very needed!) vacation. We always try and spend some time out in the desert visiting my mother, lounging around in the pool, and just doing nothing. Have some time off also affords me the opportunity to catch up on those projects around the house that I just can’t get to during the rest of the busy year.

December is a month of celebration because I love Chanukkah with its message of universality and religious freedom, and of course who can resist latkes! Laura and I were also married on the 26th, so as the year winds to a close, we always have something to celebrate.

On the other hand, December also feels like a continual birthday party to which I have not been invited. With all the “holiday” cheer and gift buying, I can’t help but feel like a fish out of water. Our entire nation and the entire world seem to focus on one thing that is not part of me nor is something I relate to. It is the only time of year that my Americanism and my Judaism are not aligned one in the same.

Now one solution could be to give in and to participate in the holiday activities. After all, it is the end of the year, a time to thank employees and friends, and to send well wishes for a happy new year. Everyone loves getting presents, and it is fun to shop and surprise someone with a nice gift. I’d like to be able to do all these things, but I just can’t. So, I am resigned to observing all the craziness and celebration from afar.

For those who own small business and those who work for large corporations, this is a very important and critical month for the bottom line. Especially in the current economic climate, the next few weeks may determine whether or not certain workers keep their jobs, whether or not a business stays open, whether or not millions will be able to afford their homes and cars. It is unfortunate that our country’s economic stability and success is riding on the willingness of the consumer to often times spend far beyond their means. For those who have money to spend, there is nothing wrong with spending. But report after report details the credit woes of the average America and how millions spend far beyond their means, racking up even more credit card debt, which far too many fail to ever pay back.

Judaism of course guides us to live within our means. Pirkei Avot teaches that the one who is rich is the one who is content with their lot. We also know that the greatest gifts are those that have no price: the gift of a smile, the gift of a visit to one who is lonely, the gift of compassion and empathy, the gift of your presence when one has lost a loved one, the gift of knowledge, the gift of honesty and integrity. These gifts cost us nothing but are invaluable and priceless.

I know the cliché that on December 25th all Jews go to the movies and then go out for Chinese food. After all, what else is open? We have always done our best to integrate and assimilate and we have contributed to the fabric of American life far beyond our numbers. Yet there is no escaping the fact that the main focus of this month is not for us. We are a minority and will always be a minority. For some, this is not something they wish to be reminded of, and so they assimilate further. For others, it’s not an issue at all as they tend to just ignore the world around them. Whether we struggle with these issues or not, we know, of course, that “this too shall pass,” and that January is just around the corner.

I hope you all have a very happy Chanukkah and a very enjoyable and safe New Year. Don’t forget that God’s house is here in the synagogue, not at the mall, so we’ll be open too for regular business hours throughout the month, just like always!

Lech L’shalom – May you go in peace,

Rabbi Kenneth Milhander

CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES FOR DECEMBER

Friday, December 4	4:25 p.m.
Friday, December 11	4:26 p.m.
Friday, December 18	4:28 p.m.
Friday, December 25	4:32 p.m.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Here we are at the end of another (secular) year. Many families take the opportunity at this time of year to send out letters keeping their loved ones up to date on various aspects of their lives. Using that theme, I would like to reflect on some of the wonderful things that have happened in various aspects of our TBT life this year.



Our clergy continue to inspire us with wonderful services and pastoral care. **Rabbi Milhander's** Tot Shabbat has been steadily growing, and since returning from the recent URJ Biennial in Toronto, our youngest members are being treated to new music and innovative forms of worship. **Cantor Avdee** continues to train our children for their Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, and is in the midst of working with the largest class in our Religious School. Our adult choir is strong and steady, enhancing our services monthly, and our children's choirs add to the enjoyment of every family service. By the way, don't miss the Chanukah celebration at the Richard Nixon Library on December 13 to hear our children sing! **Rabbi Asa**, although supposedly retired, continues to be an integral part of our congregational life. From fixing up and selling donated cars to being a shoulder for our members to lean on, Rabbi Asa is an amazing asset to TBT for all generations. We look forward to the year ahead when he and Elaine will be truly honored with the completion of our new school building.

Our Religious/Hebrew School, under the direction of **Miriam Van Raalte** and our ECLC, under the direction of **Karin Cook**, have the awesome task of working with most precious jewels, our children. Working together during the challenge of construction, Miriam and Karin have figured out creative ways to share space, storage, and programming. Miriam has created several programs for this school year that will allow the students to learn together as one large class, with program to spice up the new curriculum that was created by the Union for Reform Judaism. Karin works with her teachers and aides to enable our ECLC to thrive beyond its walls. Our classes are full, our children are happy, and our parents know that each and every staff person truly cares about their child.

Our executive vice-presidents, **Mark Filowitz** and **Ben Berkley**, are my right-hand men, attending meetings to lend support and advice when needed. They mark the past and future leadership of our congregation, and I am so grateful for their dedication to TBT.

Our secretary, **Judy Robins**, takes watchful notes of our board meetings and documents not only the goings-on of our various departments, but also notates action items so that each officer knows the tasks that lie before him/her. Judy has developed a format for our minutes that has transcended several board terms.

Our treasurer, **Chris Prezgay**, assumed his position just six months ago, and at a time that is not the simplest in terms of juggling not only the TBT books in general, but all the various items that are part of Project Legacy. He also makes sure we are on track with our budget, which is no small task!

Working with our schools as education vice-president is **Sarah Budeshtsky**, who is as busy as they come. With two young children and one on the way, as well as being a member of our adult B'nai Mitzvah class, Sarah has her hands full. Yet, she is diligent in being the liaison between the ECLC, Religious

School, and our TBT board. Her hard work in building our Tot Shabbat attendance has really paid off with many new families taking advantage of this special program. We look forward to celebrating special times with Sarah and her family in the next few months!

Our facilities VP's, **Bob Cohen** and **Max Litt** are always looking for new projects. This year we added beautiful window treatments to our social hall. If you haven't seen them, you really should come by. The maroon shades add an artistic flare to our already-beautiful social hall. And most recently, we hung window coverings just outside our sanctuary to cut down on the heat that enters during the morning hours. This addition has helped to save on our utility bills.

Our membership department, under the direction of **Greg Spalter**, is looking for effective ways to attract new families, integrate them, and sustain them for the long term. Meetings continue to develop strategies towards these goals, and we would love if you would add your voice to the deliberations. After all, in actuality we *all* are part of the membership committee, representing TBT wherever we go.

Lila Pesner and **Steve Belasco** have been particularly active as our operations vice-presidents in the last few months. Just before High Holy Days, our copier began showing its age, nearing the 1,000,000 copy mark. It seemed that each time a large project was in the works, our copier needed major servicing. So, Lila and Steve started researching the options, and in November we welcomed a new Ricoh copier into our office. If you know of someone who would like to purchase an aged copier that still has life left in it (especially as a back-up), please contact Lila or Steve. We would like to sell our old machine. We also purchased a new postage meter that will end up saving us precious budget dollars due to upgraded equipment and maintenance costs.

Shawn Sorokin has created several social events as part of our programming department. In October we had a very successful movie night, and in January we will have an evening of desserts and entertainment (see flyer in this month's Scroll). A second movie night is scheduled for this spring.

Publicity is a key component to any organization, and **Dave Severson** has not let us down in researching effective means to spread the word about TBT and show off our faces to the community. It has been decided to increase our publicity budget to ensure that the walls of our new building are filled to capacity with those who want to be part of our congregational family.

Our religious practices committee, under the direction of vice-presidents **Howard Brass** and **Ariel Feldman**, work with our clergy to implement new programs and review policy related to ritual. From High Holy Days to Shabbat and everyday Judaism, these people are an indispensable part of our board. Wait until you see what news we have to share in the near future ... exciting things are on the horizon here!

Ways & means vice-presidents **Jill Perkins** and **Linda Saslow** organized a fabulous Casino Night this year, and are already thinking about the event in Spring 2010. Reserve the date now – May 15, 2010, for a fabulous evening of fun-raising and fund-raising.

Our youth are led by director **Rachael Wager-LaCross** and vice-president **Allan Sherman**. This past year we had our first-ever "Camp Geshet," and it was so successful that it will be expanded for next summer. Watch your mail for more info.

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Religious School

Miriam Van Raalte, R.J.E., Director of Education
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As I write this article, I am on a “high” – literally and figuratively. I am 38,000 feet in the air, on my way back from the biennial convention of the Union for Reform Judaism. My first visit to Toronto has left me with a strong desire to return to see more of the beautiful city and country that hosted us. At the same time, sitting in Shabbat services with 4,000 fellow Jews is an awesome experience. Attending workshops on a variety of topics ranging from the URJ curriculum to temple membership, from board development to innovative music – are inspiring and reaffirming to the great things we at TBT already do on a regular basis.



Hearing world leaders such as **Miriam Ziv** (Ambassador of Israel to Canada), **Avishay Braverman** (Minister of Minority Affairs), **Michael Oren** (Israeli Ambassador to the US), **Tony Blair** (former Prime Minister of the UK), and **King Abdullah II** (King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, felt like I was in the presence of history in the making. Each official who spoke gave the assembled reason to celebrate our Judaism and to return home with a renewed commitment to the work that we do on behalf of our congregations.

The business of our conference was punctuated with wonderful music by many of the big as well as rising names in Jewish music: Julie Silver, Doug Cotler, Jeff Klepper, Beth Shaeffer, Soul Aviv, and many more.

Throughout the conference there were hugs given and received from colleagues and friends from around the country. It was especially exciting to reconnect with Rabbi Steve Fox, executive director of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, who grew up at TBT (and is also my cousin!). I also had lunch with Dale (Morritz) Cone and saw Shari Fox, both of whom also were raised in our religious school and are now congregational leaders. TBT has done quite well in producing Jewish leaders!

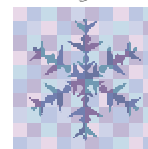
Our temple was well represented, both at the URJ convention as well as at the convention of the Woman of Reform Judaism (WRJ). Sisterhood president Diana Reinstein and past-presidents Lisa Barbarick and Cher Krichmar were at the WRJ convention. Lila Pesner, Howard Brass, Rabbi Milhander and I represented TBT at the URJ convention. Marilyn Roberts even wore a TBT hat as she came from Sparks, NV with her new rabbi to attend the Biennial for the first time (ok, she was really there representing her own temple, but we still count her as one of ours!). The nice thing about having others attending with you is that you have someone to share the enthusiasm with after a workshop, and there are even times when we attended workshops together to “catch the spark” together.

The challenge now starts as we see how we can bring to life the ideas that we got from the presentations and the networking that we learned from during the course of the week in Toronto. I have at least two ideas (actually more, but two for the short term) that I hope to implement for the future of TBT: 1) increasing communication between TBT and our membership with the use of technology, and 2) promoting our congregation as one of social justice through easy-to-do ongoing activities. Details will evolve shortly. If you would like to help in any of these projects, I would be happy to have teammates!

In the meantime, it will be good to sleep in my own bed again and to get back to my beloved TBT, of which I am so proud!

Miriam Van Raalte

WINTER BREAK – NO SCHOOL DECEMBER 19-JANUARY 3



UPCOMING CONFERENCE FOR RELIGIOUS/HEBREW SCHOOL STAFF

Our Religious and Hebrew School staff is a dedicated group of teachers and aides who are meeting a variety of challenges in this very interesting year of preparation for the grand opening of *The Asa Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning*. We have implemented a new curriculum for Grades 1-7 on Saturdays, and teachers as well as students have adapted to the new approach to our Judaic curriculum.

The challenge isn't isolated to the lack of classroom space and storage. We all know that economic times require everyone to conserve dollars while striving to provide the same high quality of programming as we have always done. Our staff has rallied to become amazing resources in keeping our students engaged and excited about their Jewish learning.

On January 3 the Orange County Jewish Educators' Association will host its annual teachers' seminar, entitled “Teaching Religious School on a Shoestring Budget.” During the first set of workshops, we will choose from such subject-matter sessions as music, storytelling, family education, drama, and art. During the second session everyone will attend grade-alike sessions during which we will address common concerns and successes within our classrooms. We hope to set up grade level email groups so that we can share ideas and the need for support when we return to our own schools.

MITZVAH REMINDER

Hunger in our community does not take a vacation. And our responsibility to do *mitzvot* continues whether Religious School is in session or not.



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E.C.L.C. NEWS



I have thought about this article a lot. The most predictable thing would be of course to reflect on November and write about what we are thankful for. So I am going to write what I am thankful for.

I am thankful for a husband who adores me more than I deserve. I am thankful for two sons and a daughter-in-law (with a grand baby on the way) who will pretend that I am the best mom, even when we all know the imperfections that I have. I am thankful for a staff that I work with who come to work with great enthusiasm and put up with a crazy boss. I am thankful for a job that allows me to be a child and get to play each and every day. I am thankful for all the parents and congregants here at T.B.T. who are so kind and gracious in supporting me and this school faithfully, even when we can be slow on the uptake to remember to tell all of you what is going on down here. But most of all I am thankful to the children I teach. I am who I am because of them. I am thankful to God for being here in the first place. But the most life changing thanks goes to all the children who have gone through my classes. These children have taught me to never give up and keep doing my best even when I think my best isn't very good.

To wait my turn even when everything inside says I want it now.

To try new things even if I am scared, including strange food from different places.

To always think of others before myself.

Most of all, when it seems that nothing is going right and I can't find the end of the tunnel, know that I am loved in spite of myself for nothing else but being Morah Cook.

I have no need to want anything else or to be anywhere else but where I am and for that I am most thankful!

Shalom

Karin Cook

E.C.L.C. WISH LIST

The following is a list of supplies needed for our new *Outdoor Atelier* (art area)

- Outside Easels
- Molding Clay
- Playdough
- Gift Cards to CM School Supply
1025 E. Orangethorpe Avenue
Anaheim 92801
(714) 680-6681

E.C.L.C. BAKED GOODS SALE

Each week you can order assorted baked goods in addition to challah from **Lang's Bakery**. Orders are delivered fresh each Friday morning to E.C.L.C. Payments are due upon pick-up. Proceeds from your orders go directly to our school.



Orders must be turned in by Thursday morning 10:00 a.m.

Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
½ lb. Plain challah		3.00 each	
1½ lb. Plain challah		5.50 each	
1½ lb. Raisin challah		6.00 each	
1½ lb. Chocolate chip challah		6.00 each	
1½ lb. Whole wheat challah		6.50 each	
Brownies		1.25 each	
Apple coffee cake		8.00 each	
Custard coffee cake		8.00 each	
Apricot coffee cake		8.00 each	
Raspberry coffee cake		8.00 each	
Cherry coffee cake		8.00 each	
Mini cream puffs		1.25 each	
Regular cream puffs		2.00 each	
Assorted fruit Danish		3.00 each	
Cinnamon twist		3.00 each	
Bear claws		3.00 each	
Sticky buns		3.00 each	
Jelly-filled donuts		1.50 each	
Blueberry muffins		2.25 each	
Banana nut muffins		2.25 each	
Chocolate chip muffins		2.25 each	
Rugulah		7.50/dozen	
Total			

Name _____

Phone number () _____

Email _____



EZRA CENTER

North Orange County Active Adult Program

OUR VOICE HAS BEEN HEARD. A few months ago the new director of Jewish Family Service spoke at Ezra. Many of you attended. We complained that JFS having offices only in Irvine limited accessibility for North OC Jews in need of help. **They listened!** JFS has opened a satellite at Ezra—TBE. The liaison is here on Mondays & Thursdays from 10:00-1:00 when Ezra is open. She will help many issues, including: 1-Issues related to accessing health care; 2-Problems with creditor or service provider; 3-Problems reading your mail or writing checks; 4-Difficulty getting services you need; 5-Difficulty getting around; 6-Difficulty using the computer; 7-Difficulty figuring how to use a new device; 8-Emergency financial needs; 9- Problems understanding changes in Medicare or over benefits; 10-Counseling.

Special Ezra Programs for Dec:

- **Let's go to the Opera,** Dec 3, Harry Krebs. Camille Saint-Saens' Samson & Delilah will light up the screen, performed by Placido Domingo and Shirley Verrett.
- **Pearl Harbor-Revisited,** Dec 7. Ruth & Manny Siegall will discuss the Pearl Harbor attack & events following it. Where were you 12/7/41? Bring your memories & share.
- **Strength & Courage,** Dec 10, Dr. Jason Fenton. Come & hear the untold story of Macheal Volunteers who helped win Israel's War of Independence, 1947-49. This book began as memoir about his unit's participation, but grew to cover the entire War & amazing stories of Volunteers.
- **Hanukah Celebration,** Dec 10. Hanukah party, entertainment, music & latkes. Paid reservation only! Members \$5, guests \$7.
- **Towers of Gold,** Dec 14, Bob Wilkoff. Hear the fantastic story of Isaias Helman, a Jewish immigrant who arrived in Calif. In 1859 he effectively transformed LA into the metropolis & influenced SF, LB. He really made Calif.
- **Enjoy Life with a Smile on your Face,** Dec 17. Dr. Everett Jacobson, Clinical psychologist, facilitates this upbeat program. Lots of info to keep you smiling.
- **I Really Want To Know,** Dec 21. Join Eva Silverman to help bring out your most important memories for you & your family. In this session you will get a guide to help you put it all in writing.
- **Good Bye New York,** Dec 24. Movie with Julie Hagerty who leaves her job & philandering husband to start a new life in Paris. She misses her stop & awakens in Israel with no money, or luggage. Making the best of the situation is this great plot.
- **DNA & How it Works for Genealogy,** Dec 28. Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD author of 3 books on genealogy & exposé of 2 well-known Holocaust frauds.
- **Creative Writing & Memoirs** Dec 9 & 23 at TBT. Continuing programs: Writing Creatively or Memoirs at TBT; Tai Chi, Computer Lab, & Yiddish Club at TBE. Cards & games at both TBE and TBT. A Kosher lunch is available at TBE Mondays and Thursdays. Further info contact Margalit at 776-1103. For a ride to Ezra Center call Ruth Sheldon at 714-774-0472.

Marilyn Silverstein Vaccarino

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, December 4

Saturday, December 5

Torah Portion: Vayishlah

Shabbat Family Service 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Friday, December 11

Saturday, December 12

Torah Portion: Vayeshev

Chanukah Family Service 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Emilie Liron Bat Mitzvah

Daughter of Guillaume & Mindy Liron

Friday, December 18

Saturday, December 19

Torah Portion: Mikketz

Tot Shabbat Service 6:00 p.m.

Shabbat Service/Kol Tikvah 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Noah Gottlieb Bar Mitzvah

Son of Jonathan & Michelle Gottlieb

Friday, December 25

Saturday, December 26

Torah Portion: Vayiggash

Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Friday, January 1

Saturday, January 2

Torah Portion: Vayhi

Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Friday, January 8

Saturday, January 9

Torah Portion: Shemot

Family Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Jacob Pressman Bar Mitzvah

Son of Steve & Diana Reinstein

Friday, January 15

Saturday, January 16

Torah Portion: Vaera

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 p.m.

Kabbalat Shabbat Dinner/Program 6:30 p.m.

Intergenerational Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 a.m.



PROJECT LEGACY UPDATE

by Henry Cohen, Lila Pesner, & Joe Bloomfield



Progress is going on slowly but surely. The contractors are still working on the “under-ground” stuff such as sewer lines, electric, and gas lines. The office has had problems from temporary lack of electricity leading to no telephone reception or Internet. ECLC was still in operation during all of this, and our children and staff worked around the challenge. Our live-construction feed was also out but all is back on now.

The building committee and Miriam got together to meet with TBT members Kathy Shefts, Yoram Mimum, and Leslye Prum a few weeks ago. Kathy had prepared color boards with paint and carpet samples. It was interesting that when we took the samples into the outside light we all chose a completely different color combination. They also had color samples for the outside as well as stone samples. Thanks to Kathy and Yoram for their hard work along with Joe Bloomfield who is working to keep the costs within budget. Our architect, Rick Crane, is now ready to submit final plans to the City of Fullerton.

Leslye Prum showed her latest suggestions for the Holocaust Memorial Wall and after the people in attendance gave opinions, she has come up with an incredible rendition for us. Thanks to Leslye for her talents and for taking on this part of the project. Men’s Club had started this project and is helping to fund it. More funds are going to have to be raised. The Finance committee voted at the November meeting to continue to pursue the Holocaust Memorial Wall because it is something that has to be done while construction is going on rather than starting from scratch at the end of the construction.

The line of credit from City National Bank has been approved. Joe Hernandez from City National Bank met with the finance committee to discuss further options that City National Bank can offer TBT. Steve Belasco will be working with Bob Cohen on the voucher system for approval of payments to the contractors and making sure all property liens are released as we progress. Treasurer Chris Prezgay will be working with bookkeeper Michelle to set up a new QuickBooks account to monitor the Legacy expenditures.

Our personal thanks to everyone who has jumped in on this most important project for TBT. We are so fortunate to have so many talented and dedicated people working on this project.

The next Project Legacy meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 7.

Due to Chanukah, there will be no second-Friday early service with Shabbat dinner & program in December. Our December 11 Shabbat service will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be our annual Chanukah Family Service. See you there!

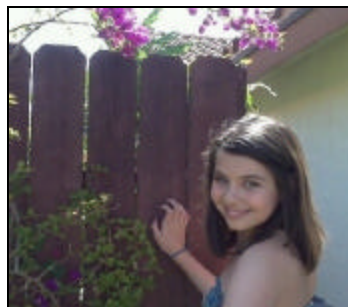
BAR/BAT MITZVAH NEWS

Noah Gottlieb, son of Jonathan and Michelle Gottlieb, will be called to the Torah on December 19th as a Bar Mitzvah. He is a seventh grader at Ladera Vista Junior High School in the honors/GATE program. Noah’s passion is theater. He is active in his school productions as well as being a member of Fullerton Children’s Repertory Theater (Rep). He feels strongly that everyone who qualifies to be part of Rep should be able to, regardless of their financial situation. So, for his bar mitzvah project, he gathered donations to have a silent auction which raised almost \$1000 in scholarship monies.



Noah loves being part of TBT and has been since before he was born! He went to ECLC, kindergarten and then came upstairs for Hebrew and Religious School. All of his closest friends can be found here. He appreciates his teachers and all the work that they have done with him to prepare him for his bar mitzvah, especially Cantor Avdee!

Noah is a warm, loving son and brother. He adores all of the animals we have at home. His family and friends are very proud of him!



On Saturday, December 12th, Emilie Megan Liron will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah. Emilie is a straight-A 8th grader at the Orange County High School of the Arts in the Music and Theatre program. Emilie has been in numerous productions through the Stagelight Family

Productions Children’s Theatre at the Curtis Theatre in Brea including The Wiz, Peter Pan, Bye Bye Birdie, Beauty and the Beast and Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Coat. As a matter of fact, her Torah portion is about Joseph. Emilie has been dancing at Imperial Dance Studio in Brea for 10 years and enjoys tap, ballet, jazz, lyrical, hip hop, and contemporary dance. Emilie has come a long way from her first dance routine as a bunny rabbit when she was 3 years old. When she’s not dancing or singing, Emilie enjoys being with her friends from all over Orange County and attending Camp Hess Kramer every summer.

As part of Emilie’s Mitzvah project, she participated in and helped her Social Studies teacher, Ms. Browne, at the MPS 5K WALK/Run on October 17th. MPS or Mucopolysaccharidoses and related diseases are genetic lysosomal storage diseases (LSD) caused by the body's inability to produce specific enzymes. Both of Ms. Browne’s children suffer from this disease. As a second part of her Mitzvah project, Emilie started to teach weekly dance classes at ECLC every Monday afternoon. Rebecca, Emilie and Gabriel all attended ECLC and Emilie is excited to share the joy of dance with our TBT kids. We are very proud of Emilie and all of her accomplishments and are excited about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah!



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Scrip is a major fundraiser for Temple Beth Tikvah's Sisterhood, Neshot Tikvah, to generate income for the Sisterhood and ultimately the Temple. The Sisterhood uses the profit to help fund camperships, the Keep in Touch program for college students and various other programs.

Scrip is one of the easiest fundraisers to support, since it doesn't cost you anything. The profit to our Sisterhood comes from the discount we receive when we order the Scrip (anywhere from 1.5% to 20%). We are working very hard this year to increase our Scrip profits. In an effort to do this, we are challenging our Religious and Hebrew School Families and Teachers to purchase Scrip between now and Saturday, December 12, 2009. Of course, once you are in the habit of buying Scrip, we hope you will continue to do it all year long.

The challenge will work as follows:

All Scrip forms submitted between now and Saturday, December 12th will have a place to write the Religious School Teacher's name on the front. Be sure to complete this line in order for your child's class to receive credit. Any forms submitted without a teacher's name will not be included in the competition. We will tally the total sales for each classroom and determine the per student amount (to account for differences in class sizes). The class with the highest per student sales will receive an ALL OUT ICE CREAM BASH in January. If you have more than one student, feel free to divide your order into multiple forms or to order one week for one class and another week for another class.

To place your Scrip order, simply complete the excel form and email it to me. If you have any problems completing the form, just drop me an email with your name, your child's Religious School Teacher and what you'd like to order. All orders submitted by 4:00PM on Saturdays will be available for pick up the following Saturday during Religious School or anytime after that in the office. Orders filled in the gift shop will also be included as long as you remember to include the Religious School Teacher's name. As usual, you pay when you receive the Scrip.

This is the time to get creative about ways to purchase Scrip. Don't forget that Scrip is simply a gift card that you can use for everything from Grocery Stores and Gas Stations to Department Stores and Restaurants. Ask relatives, friends, neighbors and co-workers to purchase their holiday gifts through you. Remember that gift cards make great birthday gifts too and come in very handy when you are remembering teachers, employees, mailmen, gardeners etc. over the holidays. If you're interested in a vendor or a denomination that's not on the order form, please contact me and I can let you know if it's available.

Thanks again for all your Scrip purchases.

Lisa Brass

714-772-8414 or lisnhow@sbcglobal.net

November Oneg Sponsors

The families of the following sponsored the oneg for our family service on November 6th in honor of their birthdays:

Peter Dirnbach, Mark Filowitz, Micki Fisher, Helene Kahan, Lisa Marder, Breanna Marks, Neil Rosen, Lynda Trachtman

The following sponsored the oneg for our family service on November 6th in honor of their wedding anniversary:

Mike & Evelyn Bell (29)

Thank you!

Our Sisterhood continues to do its good work here at TBT. This year Sisterhood changed its name to *Neshot Tikvah*, hoping to renew their approach to Jewish life for the women in our congregation. President **Diana Reinstein** has put together a dynamic board of women who represent us locally and globally in WRJ (Women of Reform Judaism). Watch your mail for news of our upcoming "Sisterhood Shabbat," a wonderful Shabbat celebration for all.

Men's Club does a lot more than play poker, volleyball, and tennis! The annual Yom Hashoa candle project has brought in funds that will give us a nice start in building a living Holocaust Memorial that has been designed by TBT member Leslye Prum and presented to a subcommittee of the Legacy Committee. Men's Club, with president **Mitch Shapiro**, supports our youth in a variety of ways, and has nominated as its 2010 Man of the Year our very own Rabbi Milhander. Please mark your calendar for February 20 at Temple Beth Sholom in Santa Ana for the celebration.

Special thanks go to our liaison to the Fullerton Interfaith Emergency Service, **Judy Weiss**. Judy attends monthly FIES board meetings and brings back important information to us about how we can participate in this important endeavor to eliminate hunger in our community.

Our webmaster, **Eric Van Raalte**, is our youngest new member this year. As a college student at CSUF, Eric decided to join our Temple as an independent member. He has been instrumental in setting up our internet to be able to webcast our services live to your home. Eric is also responsible for posting weekly and monthly messages from the TBT office to our website as needed.

One of the busiest people in TBT leadership this year has been special projects chair **Joe Bloomfield**. Whenever there is something to be done that doesn't fall under one of our vice-presidents, Joe is the man for the job! His biggest project this year and prior has been to oversee Project Legacy. With his background in the construction industry, Joe has been working with our general contractor to make sure every step of the construction process happens on course and within budget. Joe carries the weight of Project Legacy on his shoulders, which are building some serious muscle with the challenges that face us daily during the project. I am eternally grateful to have Joe on our leadership team.

I want to highlight two committees that have been functioning this year that do not fall under any of our other board positions. The first is our newly formed **Caring Community Committee**. This committee was developed as a result of a URJ biennial in which Miriam Van Raalte and Lila Pesner attended a session about reaching inward to our membership to help those in need. Our CCC has done an outstanding job of making phone calls, visiting, and creating bridges between TBT and our members. On December 14 we are having a special Chanukah party at TBT to which those we have been working with will be invited. We hope that our efforts will enable those who are otherwise unable to join us will be able to celebrate here at the Temple with us.

Lastly, we have convened a **Constitution/Bylaws Review Committee**. The group has been working over the past year to update our documents, and as soon as we are finished with the deliberations, a series of town hall meetings will be held to

share the revisions and prepare the congregation for a vote at our annual May congregational meeting.

I am humbled by the commitment of our officers and committees that help TBT to function as smoothly as it does. All these dedicated individuals make my job as president rewarding as I get to know them personally and organizationally. As you can see, it is no small task to be part of Temple leadership. But to tell you the truth, the past 2½ year have been probably the most amazing chapter of my own Jewish life. When Sheri and I joined TBT, I never imagined that someday I would be so involved in Temple leadership. It is a great way to make new friends and to find fulfillment in my Jewishness. I highly recommend it for any of you who are looking for a way to give of yourself to our congregation. As a matter of fact, in the next couple of months we will be starting to work on creating a slate for next year's Board of Directors. Think about getting involved ... you won't regret it!

In the meantime I want to wish you and your loved ones a happy Chanukah, filled with warmth and light. From my family to yours, *chag sameach*.

Shalom,

Greg Weitzman



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

WALKATHON

benefiting

PROJECT LEGACY

&

SOLES 4 SOULS

Saturday, January 23, 2010

Join our students as we walk through the neighborhood near TBT, raise funds for Project Legacy, & collect gently worn tennis shoes as a tzedakah project

Begin bringing your used tennis shoes at any time. Put them in the box near the office that will be marked – "Soles 4 Souls"

Sponsor sheets will be distributed to our students during Religious School. More information will be in the January Scroll.

December Smachot (*Happy Occasions*)

Children's Birthdays

Danielle Flashner	December 1	Joshua Gottlieb	December 14
Rachel Amar	December 2	Jacob Wirtzer	December 15
Noah Gottlieb	December 2	Stephanie Katz	December 19
Emilie Liron	December 4	Caden Esterson	December 20
Julia Popick	December 4	Jacob Lipinsky	December 22
Zachary Oslick	December 8	Joshua Lipinsky	December 22
Emily Simon	December 10	Jacob Pressman	December 22
Adam Milhander	December 11	Avi Block	December 28
Jason Milhander	December 11	Julie Rosen	December 29
Eric Avdee	December 12	Elijah Jones	December 31
Rachel Marks	December 12	Danielle Siegel	December 31

Adult Birthdays

Bruce Greenfield	December 2	Mark Kantrowitz	December 12	Anne Kalen	December 21
Karyn Manara	December 3	Barbara Leiken	December 13	Mildred Kouzel	December 21
Marilyn Vaccarino	December 3	Michael Cocos	December 14	Ted LaCross	December 22
Jeffrey Stenzel	December 4	Caren Greenfield	December 14	Edward Rose	December 22
Dana Cadaval	December 5	Stephen Sherman	December 16	Rachael LaCross	December 24
David Chapman	December 5	Steven Silverman	December 17	Avram Kaplan	December 25
Jack Rose	December 7	Mary Wald	December 18	Margaret Cady	December 26
Thomas Green	December 9	David Markowitz	December 19	Jim Kalen	December 26
Carmen Flashner	December 10	Sharon Poggi	December 19	Jefferey Schwartz	December 27
Leonard Leventhal	December 10	Ilene Feinberg	December 20	Sol Swack	December 29
Theda Leventhal	December 11	Joyce Severson	December 20	Melvin Wasserman	December 29
Iris Shapiro	December 11				

Anniversaries

James & Helen Atkinson	December 4	Samuel & Leslye Prum	December 22
Steven & Brenda Locketz	December 5	David & Alyse Kirschen	December 23
Stan & Betty Sackler	December 6	Fred & Sybil Shecter	December 25
Gary & Robin Fishberg	December 16	Rabbi Kenneth & Laura Milhander	December 26
Paul & Sara De Land	December 18	Steven & Lois Saltman	December 26
Sam & Sandy DeMesquita	December 20	William & Mary Sampson	December 26
Mark & Junhua Pinsky	December 20	Gary & Beverly Steinberg	December 26
David & Pnina Shichor	December 20	Len & Janet Wayne	December 26
Howard & Lisa Brass	December 21	Roger & Anna Nanes	December 29
Jack & Miriam Rose	December 21		

★ Temple Beth Tikvah Wish List ★

- ★ Legacy Project (New Religious School Building)
- ★ Religious School Scholarship Funds
- ★ Video Camera



Are you celebrating a birthday or anniversary this month? If so, mark the occasion by making a contribution to the Sisterhood for our first Friday of the month family service!

Your name will be listed in the program for that evening, and your contribution will also be listed in the Scroll

Thanks to all who help us out by making our Shabbat sweet with their contributions.

December Yearzeit List

★ Memorial Plaque

Friday, December 4 –

Saturday, December 5

Julius Cappel	November 29
Esther Frand	November 29
Maralyn Malin-Cohen	November 29
*Norman Soffen	November 29
Joshua Stark	November 29
*Jack Zwerling	November 29
Panina Alaeva	November 30
*Bernard Kouzel	November 30
Martin Axelbaum	December 1
Arnold Isaacson	December 1
Lisel Jacob	December 1
Esther Cohen	December 2
Julius Cohen	December 2
Bill Faye	December 2
Si Hurowitz	December 2
*Tillie Shapiro	December 2
Rebecca Winnick	December 2
*Ruth Vaccarino	December 3
*Louis Goldberg	December 4
Gerson Levin	December 4
Lillian Lewin	December 4
*Marjorie Newmark	December 4
Zelda Zinberg	December 4
Richard Feldman	December 5
Jess Katzberg	December 5
Harold Klein	December 5
Jim Shutler	December 5
Charles Zwieback	December 5

Friday, December 11 –

Saturday, December 12

Ronald Bell	December 6
*Max Drucker	December 6
Isadore Miller	December 6
*Rebecca Sacks	December 6
Helen Miller	December 7
*Melvin Sackter	December 7
Max Seidman	December 7
Miriam Burd	December 8
Sheila Federman	December 8
Joseph Fields	December 8
Ida Gordon	December 8
Jack Van Raalte	December 8
*Lucille Belasco	December 9
Irma Mencher	December 9
Bernice Ostrov	December 9
*Michael Porter	December 9
Morris Rose	December 9
Morris Sherman	December 9
Mauray Silver	December 9
Louise Bellonio	December 10
Irwin Block	December 10
*Emil Blumenstein	December 10
Rachel Lent	December 10
June Tarnopol	December 10
Itzhak Tsyrlin	December 10
Edwin Markson	December 11
Jack Schuster	December 11
Mary Weiller	December 11
Isaac Blum	December 12
Ida Ford	December 12
Aenne Gruenbaum	December 12

*Henry Marx	December 12
*Sherryl Weizer	December 12
Abe Zachofsky	December 12

Friday, December 18 –

Saturday, December 19

Marie Avzardel	December 13
Sarah Drucker	December 13
*Frieda Hara	December 13
Sadelle Krevitz	December 13
Dora Patterson	December 13
Ismar Bornstein	December 14
*Philip Markowitz	December 14
John McMurtrie	December 14
Philip Oremland	December 14
Leonard Staff	December 14
Ruth Donenfeld	December 15
Anne Elfman	December 15
Molly Hirsch	December 15
Lillian Kraus	December 15
Irving Levine	December 15
*Edward Schulman	December 15
*Beatrice Trombler	December 15
Sylvia Udkoff	December 15
Lillian Brown	December 16
*Jack Cassell	December 16
*Abraham Gelb	December 16
*Jacob Golubsky	December 16
Norman Mindell	December 16
Bernard Pogorel	December 16
*Cecelia Gever	December 17
Matle Kaplan	December 17
Bessie Anna Mintz	December 17
Norman Schlosberg	December 17
Bertha Alayev	December 18
*Elsbeth Kaufman	December 18
*Richard Mann	December 18
Afroim Tsukerman	December 18
Marcel Weiller	December 18
Devorah Schildkraut	December 19
Harry Sherman	December 19

Friday, December 25 –

Saturday, December 26

Tillie Copolou	December 20
Benjamin Shecter	December 20
Hilda Soskin	December 20
Dora Weiner	December 20
Blanche Zohman	December 20
Edna Hein	December 21
Julius Mintz	December 21
Peter Rose	December 21
Jeannette Ruebens	December 21
Reuben Nordenberg	December 22
Pauline Page	December 22
Margaret Sherwood	December 22
Sonya Goodman	December 23
*Manny Grumet	December 23
Lucille Landsberg	December 23
Celia Miller	December 23
Louis Page	December 23
Robert Shurkin	December 23
*Estelle Weiss	December 23
Hyman Fink	December 24

“MAY THE MEMORY OF THE RIGHTEOUS BE A BLESSING.”

Harry Korn	December 24
Bert Litwin	December 24
Jessica Peddie	December 24
*Rose Rosen	December 24
Gertrude Sloter	December 24
Ishmael Andrade	December 25
Julie Garber	December 25
*Meyer Lederman	December 25
Leo Lieberman	December 25
Betty Pickler	December 25
Anita Saltzman	December 25
Cecelia Solomon	December 25
Elias Feldman	December 26
Susan Hamrell	December 26
June Isaacson	December 26
*Ruth Katz	December 26
Klara Livshits	December 26
*Hilda Shultz	December 26
Nati Stern	December 26

Friday, January 1 –

Saturday, January 2

*Charles Freeman	December 27
Berdie Goldstein	December 27
Erma Horowitz	December 27
Leah Lenchner	December 27
Toni Liron	December 27
Anna Markowitz	December 27
Miriam Rose	December 27
Isidore Schwartz	December 27
*Isaac Shaw	December 27
*Robert Cohen	December 28
Rose Lansman	December 28
Ejzer Melcer	December 28
*Eliahu Mordechay	December 28
Yetta Plotkin	December 28
Esther Finkel	December 29
Buium Fishel	December 29
Bert Freeman	December 29
Hyman Kalechman	December 29
*Sergio Prum	December 29
*Sam Altschuller	December 30
Chester Hecht	December 30
Abraham Jacobson	December 30
Sadie Malasky	December 30
Julian Marcus	December 30
Lawrence Wald	December 30
Sol Bressler	December 31
*Maurice Kleinerman	December 31
*Sadye Krieger	December 31
*Sidney Nanes	December 31
*Kitty Rubin	December 31
Bretta Shube	December 31
Tommy Thompson	December 31
Samuel Goldberg	January 1
Max Harman	January 1
Rose Prizant	January 1
Wu Xiaode	January 1
Verna Andrews	January 2
*Joseph Bernhut	January 2
Robert Gorelick	January 2
Manuel Klasky	January 2
Diane Leeds	January 2
Minnie Michel	January 2

Yahrzeit and General Donations

Remembered By

Rabbi/Mrs Haim Asa

Helen Atkinson

Claire Cappel

Mr/Mrs Henry Cohen

Mr/Mrs Mitchell Cohen

Robert Green

Oscar Cokliss

Al Collins

Selma Dirnbach

Zalman Erenburg

Jeffrey Frederick

Donna Freedman/Kenneth Wolf

Lucille Ginsberg

Rhoda Goldstein

Mr/Mrs Ken Goodman

Gail Hara

Theodore Jass

Howard Kahan

Yael Khooban

Bradley Kleinerman

Faye Kwate

In Memory Of

Jeanette Carl

Al Carl

Visa Asa

Dorothy Polikoff

Julius Cappel

Jim Shutler

Arthur Cohen

Rose Orlikoff

Florence Cohen

Herta Cohen

Murry Cohen

Florence Cokliss

Regina Collins

Sumner Robinson

Moisey Erenburg

Henry Frederick

Si Hurowitz

Alvin Ginsberg

David Gordon

Harriet Hersh

Morris Friedman

Florence Cokliss

Eileen Steele

Marcel Khooban

Joseph Kleinerman

Mark Kleinerman

Margy Kleinerman

Zelick Stein

Morris Stein

Remembered By

Mr/Mrs Lyle Lewinson

Sophia Litt

Mr/Mrs Moscha Locketz

Francie McCleerey

The Melcer Family/Margaret Cady

Mr/Mrs Jan Perkins

Amy Pilon

Fran Rose

Mr/Mrs Charles Rosen

Lois Saltman

Ziona Shprecher

Mr/Mrs Lewis Siegler

Jack Sorokin

Lou Ann Taback

Barbara Talento

Georgetta Wedner

Mr/Mrs David Weiner

Greg Weitzman

Rachelle Wilson

Dr/Mrs Sheldon Zinberg

In Memory Of

Samuel Lewinson

Beverly Klasky

Louis Green

Joseph Joel Locketz

Alvin Ginsberg

Max Seidman

Matle Kaplan

Ejzer Melcer

Esther Robbins

Harry Brown III

Rebecca Pfeffer

Gertrude Rosen

Meyer Rosen

Marjorie Newmark

Josef Shprecher

Florence Siegler

Katie Sorokin

Rebecca Lebbey

Freda Taback

Gert Braunstein

Leonard Braunstein

Tony Talento

George Marhefka

Sylvia Solow

Frances Weitzman

Stanley Trombler

Zelda Zinberg

Project Legacy Fund

Sherryl Bird

Greg & Sheri Weitzman

Micki Fisher – loss of uncle, Mort

Dan Manson – loss of mother, Jennie

Linda Saslow – speedy recovery

Gary Fishberg – loss of mother, Florence

Marc Ballon – loss of father, William

Mark Filowitz – happy birthday

Shawn Sorokin – happy birthday

Stan & Lila Pesner – happy anniversary

Bruce Melcer & Margaret Cady

in honor of Stan & Lila Pesner's anniversary

Priscilla Locketz

in honor of Moe Locketz's 80th birthday

Stan & Lila Pesner

Dan Manson - loss of mother, Jennie

in memory of Doris Pesner

Margot Fowler

in appreciation of her birthday wishes

Rabbi Milhander Discretionary Fund

Chuck & Mindy Glatstein

in appreciation

David Horowitz

in memory of wife, Erma

Robin Taback Memorial Music Fund

Hal Taback

in memory of Robin Taback

Lou Ann Taback

in memory of Robin Taback

Dan & Lynn Manson – loss of mother, Jennie

Larry & Angie Krom

in honor of Robin's music and in her memory

David & Ora Shafir

in honor of Robin's music and in her memory

High Holy Day Fund

The following people made donations in honor of their

High Holy Day honor: **Peter & Selma Dirnbach, Tom & Tracy Green, Greg & Sheri Weitzman**

URJ BIENNIAL

by Lila Pesner, Operations V.P.



The 70th General Assembly of the Union for Reform Judaism was held in Toronto, Canada, the first time in 30 years, from November 4-9, 2009. Attending from Temple Beth Tikvah were Rabbi Kenneth Milhander, Miriam Van Raalte, Administrator, Lila Pesner, Operations VP and Howard Brass, Religious Practices VP. Rabbi Milhander was the only rabbi and Miriam was the only educator attending from Orange County! For the size of our congregation, TBT was well represented. Also attending the Women of Reform Judaism convention running concurrently were Diana Reinstein, Sisterhood President, Lisa Barbarick, Past President, and Cher Krichmar who is on the national board of WRJ.

The object of the 3500 attendees was to study, worship, learn and network with other congregations, as well as to learn about the Union's restructured staff and resources. For economical reasons the URJ is now being divided into four sections of the country rather than the sixteen Regional offices we had previously. Instead of our Pacific Southwest district covering Southern California, Arizona, New Mexico to El Paso Texas, we are now in the Western District covering California, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, Washington, British Columbia, Calgary, Regina and Alaska!

There will be no more regional Biennials. The good news is that the next national biennial convention will be in Washington DC in 2011 and then they are coming back to San Diego in 2013!

Each of us attended various sessions on membership enhancement, capital campaigns, finance, budget, Dr. Ruth, etc. and will be sharing some innovations and suggestions to our various board members. The biennial conventions are a great way for us to "re-jew-vinate" ourselves as congregants and leaders to make our congregations the best they can possibly be.

Start planning to join us in 2011, or better yet, in 2013! It's an unforgettable few days, and there is nothing like spending Shabbat at the Biennial, worshipping with a congregation like the URJ!

New Membership Directory Corrections

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Please also delete the email address for **Melba Rosen**. She will no longer be available through email.

MEN'S CLUB REPORT

We have many activities. Please come join us.

PROJECT LEGACY BINGO FUNDRAISER SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

Please see the attached flyer. This event will be great **FUN**.

MRJ MAN OF THE YEAR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

Please see the attached flyer in this month's Scroll, **Honoring Rabbi Milhander as TBT Men's Club man of the year for 2010.**

IN THE WORKS.

We are currently working with the other Men's Clubs in putting together a community service project that we can do together, as well as other activities which will be announced at a later time.

MEMBERSHIP. We do a lot for the Temple. If you are not a member, please come join us for some Mitzvah doings, and some fun. We are about 70 members strong.

NEXT MEETING: Monday night, 12/07/09, at 630pm at TBT. Please come join us for a little dinner and a little "bonding". Please RSVP to **Howard Brass**, lisnhov@sbcglobal.net, so we know how much food to provide.

Substitute tennis player (doubles) for some Saturday mornings needed at the home of Neil Rosen (Placentia). 8:00 a.m. Looking for someone who can serve, good ground strokes, play the net, and can hit overheads. If someone is interested they can contact Neil at home (714) 996-5539 or my cell phone (714) 403-8519.

Men's Club is also seeking **new volleyball players** for their Sunday morning get togethers at Mitch Shapiro's home. If any men are interested, contact Michael Flashner, Neil Rosen, or Mitch Shapiro.

If you have any questions or comments, please talk with your Men's Club Officers: **Mitch Shapiro, Howard Brass, or Mike Flashner.** Or ask the **Rabbi**.

Please remember Temple Beth Tikvah as you make your year-end donations. You may want to consider the following:

- Pay your third-quarter dues
- Make a payment on your Project Legacy pledge
- Make donations in honor/memory of loved ones
- Purchase simcha leaves/memorial plaques
- Purchase Project Legacy bricks to be placed in the plaza of our new campus
- Donate your used auto (please contact Rabbi Asa)

We accept Visa, MasterCard, and Discover as well as checks and cash.



TEMPLE BETH TIKVAH TOUR

With Rabbi Milhander and Miriam Van Raalte

November 7-21 (tentative)

Cost TBA

(Space is limited - \$250.00 deposit reserves your spot)



INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR

- Round trip airfare from Los Angeles
- Deluxe hotels and a kibbutz guest house
- All transfers and touring in luxury A/C motor coach
- Expert guidance, all entrance fees
- Luggage handling, local VAT tax
- Israeli breakfast daily, 8 dinners

YOUR TENTATIVE ITINERARY

NOV 7	SUN	Depart Los Angeles
NOV 8	MON	Arrive Ben Gurion Airport/Transfer to hotel in Ashkelon for dinner and overnight
NOV 8	TUE	Ashkelon, Beersheva, Sde Boker – Ben Gurion’s Hut, Mitzpe Ramon, Avdat, Eilat
NOV 10	WED	Eilat – Red Sea Lunch Tour
NOV 11	THU	King Solomon’s Mines/Dead Sea
NOV 12	FRI	Ein Gedi/Masada/Qumran/Tel Aviv
NOV 13	SAT	Shabbat at Leisure in Tel Aviv
NOV 14	SUN	Jaffa/Shuk HaCarmel Market/Tel Aviv/Museum of the Diaspora/Caecarea/Megiddo/Haifa
NOV 15	MON	Haifa/Isfiya (Druze Village)/ Har Halutz/Safed/Gaililee
NOV 16	TUE	Upper Galilee and Golan Heights/Safed/Tiberias
NOV 17	WED	Jordan Valley/Jerusalem – Old City
NOV 18	THU	New City of Jerusalem
NOV 19	FRI	New City of Jerusalem/Western Wall at Sunset
NOV 20	SAT	At Leisure in Jerusalem/Evening Transfer to Airport
NOV 21	SUN	Arrive Los Angeles

PUT ME ON THE LIST!!!

MAIL TO: Temple Beth Tikvah
1600 N. Acacia Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 92831

PHONE: (714) 871-3535
FAX: (714) 871-4051

NAME: (as on Passport) _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: (day) _____ (eve) _____ **Desired Roommate:** _____

I would prefer a single room (additional fee required – TBA).

Please return to Temple Beth Tikvah (address above).

Tour planned and operated by **BOUND TO TRAVEL, INC.**

CHANUKAH MENORAH LIVING MUSEUM at TBT



DOES YOUR FAMILY MENORAH HAVE A STORY?

Let's show off the special Chanukah menorahs that have become part of our homes' Jewish artifacts.

Bring a menorah from your collection to TBT
for a special

“Living Museum” Chanukah Display

Menorahs may be brought to TBT beginning December 2 and will be on display in our Social Hall December 4-11.

Please use a 3x5 card to write a short description of the significance of your menorah to your family. You do not need to supply candles – we will not light the displays. All menorahs should be taken home by December 19.



If you have any questions, please call Miriam Van Raalte at the TBT office (714) 871-3535.

TEMPLE BETH TIKVAH RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHANUKAH UN-FUNDRAISING EVENT

Just in time for Chanukah, you have the opportunity to give a gift to our Religious School fundraising program. The best news is ... we are not asking you to buy anything, sell anything, bake anything, or count orders. Instead of expending all that time and energy for a fundraiser from which we would only receive a portion of the proceeds, we have a program where **100%** of the money goes to fund programs and projects for Temple Beth Tikvah's children.

Instead of spending hours and hours working and planning, just write a check. Your total donation will go to the school, and you can use the rest of your time to do something you enjoy. Pick your favorite non-event(s) and send your check to the Religious School office, "**Attention Un-Fundraiser.**"



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL UN-FUNDRAISING EVENT

- I am so tired of selling (and buying) chocolate bars and the guilt associated with eating them that I'll gladly send in **\$18** instead.
- Rather than collecting, shlepping, and turning in aluminum cans for recycling, I'll give **\$36** instead.
- Here is my **\$48** entry fee for the "Zero K" race. I would rather sit on my sofa and nurse my pulled leg muscle.
- I would rather send **\$64** than go to a fashion show for clothes that I will never wear anyway.
- While I love black-tie events, our tuxedo and evening gown are at the cleaners, so here is **\$82** instead.
- Based on my busy calendar and latest budget analysis, I am able to support to the tune of \$_____.

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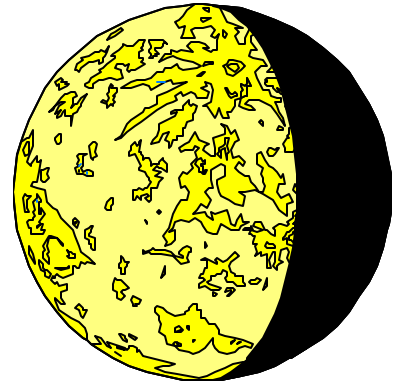
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This is the remarkable real-life story of German farmers who helped hide Jewish friends from the Nazis. Menne Spiegel, who won an Iron Cross fighting for Germany during World War I, now finds that his country's rulers want to kill him and his family. The film is well written, well directed and beautifully photographed. It tells a story we do not often hear.

THE WEDDING SONG – Sunday, February 14

Set in Tunis in 1942, *The Wedding Song* follows 16 year old Nour, a Muslim, and Myriam, a Jew. They struggle to maintain their friendship as politics and families threaten to undermine it. Once the Nazis enter Tunisia and the racial laws are enacted, Myriam's mother marries off her unwilling daughter to a rich older doctor in an attempt to save them from being deported. Please note: There are short, but explicit, female nude scenes in this film.

THE LEMON TREE – Sunday, March 14

A lemon tree becomes a symbolic battlefield between Salma, the Palestinian woman vs. the Israeli Minister of Defense. This is a story of a struggle over principles, humanity, land, history, hate and one woman against the system. It is a film about people who are trapped in a political no win situation.

THE GIFT TO STALIN – Sunday, March 21

This is a film from Kazakhstan, set against the sweeping beauty of the Kazakh slopes. It is the heartwarming tale of Sasha, an orphaned Jewish boy, who is sent into exile during a Stalinist purge. The boy is found alive in a railroad car next to his dead grandfather by a Kazakh railroad worker. *The Gift to Stalin* tells the story of Sasha and the people who cared for him.

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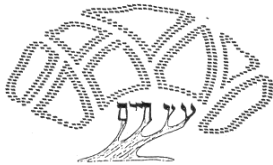
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 4:30 Religious School Holiday Store	3	4 7:00p Wine & Cheese 7:30p Family Service Religious School Holiday Store after services	5 Vayishlach 18 Kislev 5770 9:00a Tanach Study 10:00a Shabbat Srv. Religious School Holiday Store
6	7 6:30p Men's Club Meeting	8 5:30p Publicity Committee Mtg.	9 4:30 Religious School Holiday Store	10	11 1 st Night of Chanukah 7:30p Chanukah Family Service	12 Vashev 25 Kislev 5770 9:00a Tanach Study 10:00a Shabbat j Bat Mitzvah of Emilie Liron TALIT
13	14	15	16 10:00a ORT Meeting @ TBT	17 6:30p Sisterhood Bd. Mtg.	18 6:00p Tot Shabbat 7:30p Shabbat Service/Kol Tikvah	19 2 Tevet 5770 9:00a Tanach Study 10:00a Bar Mitzvah of Noah Gottlieb *No Religious School 6:30p Men's Club Bingo Night
20	21	22	23 *No Hebrew School 6:45p Religious Practices Mtg. 7:30p TBT Board Mtg.	24	25 * ECLC Closed 7:30p Shabbat Service	26 Vayigash 9 Tevet 5770 9:00a Tanach Study 10:00a Shabbat Srv. *No Religious School
27	28	29	30	31	1 7:30p Shabbat Service (no family service)	2 Vayechi 16 Tevet 5770 9:00a Tanach Study 10:00a Shabbat Srv.

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