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THIS MONTH

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- 5/2 – Sanford Freedman lecture at evening services
- 5/3, 17, 31 – Kids Kehillah
- 5/4 – Stephanie Gerber Wilson lecture
- 5/8, 16 – Kol Yeladim
- 5/8 – Israel Independence Day Celebration
- 5/9–10 – Sydney Kucine Bat Mitzvah
- 5/16–17 – Jessica Goodman Bat Mitzvah
- 5/18 – Avis Smith "Thank You" Reception
- 5/18 – The Hidden Child Experience
- 5/27 – TBE Annual Meeting



"It is true that we aspire to our ancient land. But what we want in that ancient land is a new blossoming of the Jewish spirit."

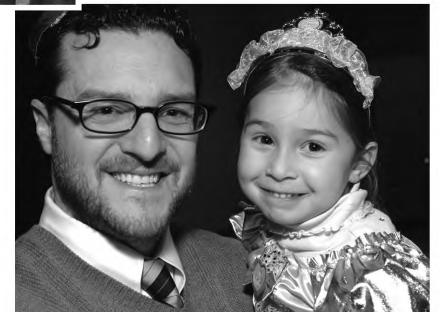
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Congregants are encouraged to make regular attendance at Temple Beth El a part of their lives.

DAILY SERVICES

Monday through Friday 6:50 AM
Saturday and Jewish Holidays. 9:30 AM
Sunday and Secular Holidays 8:30 AM

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

First Friday Evening, September–June 7:30 PM
Remaining Friday Evenings. 5:30 PM

"Do not separate yourself from the congregation."

—Hillel, Pirkei Avot, 2:5

TEMPLE BETH EL ANNUAL MEETING & CELEBRATION

Please join us for an evening of celebration at Temple Beth El's Annual Meeting on Tuesday, May 27 at 7:00 PM. We will thank volunteers, review the year with slide show and stories, and elect new Board Members. We will finish off the event with a hearty dessert bar with something for everyone. If you need transportation to the Temple or if you need childcare during the event, please call the Temple office by Friday, May 16.

CLOSURES

The Temple Beth El office will be closed on Monday, May 26.

The Temple Beth El Hebrew School will be closed on Sunday, May 25.

HEBREW SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

Temple Beth El is looking for Hebrew School Teachers to teach grade 3 and grade 6 for the 2008/2009 school year. Teachers must be available to teach Wednesday afternoons and Sunday mornings. Knowledge of Hebrew, prayer, Bible, history, and Conservative Judaism are required. If interested, please contact Avis Smith at 774-2649 or education@templebethel-maine.org.



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Funding for Temple Beth El Religious School has been generously provided by the Jewish Community Alliance of Southern Maine, through its Annual Campaign.

A COLLEGE CONNECTION THROUGH TORAH

In my twenty years at Temple Beth El, I have been most touched by the strong connections I have made with students and former students of all ages. These are bonds which encompass friendship, life cycle events, and even academics, as I was reminded when I received a phone call from the parent of a former student who is now in college. She told me her child was enrolled in a religion course and was being taught things she was pretty sure were not correct, but was not sure how to go about finding the truth. I told her to have her child email me, and thus began a frequent and wonderful exchange of questions and answers with my former student. I have obtained her permission to share some of those exchanges with you; they send a strong message that our kids do think about religion, do try to make connections with what they were taught in Hebrew School and Hebrew High School, and are trying, as they become adults, to make sense of their Judaism for their lives.

"Dear Avis – Question Number 1...In class, my professor was briefing us on early Judaism and the different views of the different sects. She mentioned that certain sects of Jews in that time period believed that God had given his power over to Satan and that he eventually struggled with Satan for ultimate power. In my mind this seems like a very Christian idea. I mentioned in class that the idea that there is an entity that could compete with God for power defies the idea of monotheism, which is of course the basis of Judaism. My teacher replied that in Judaism there are other lesser deities, and that it is possible for this to happen, which left me rather confused."

"Dear X – Yikes! What ARE they

teaching these days? The major sects at the time of Jesus were the Pharisees (very protective of Torah law and the ones who later became the founders of Rabbinic Judaism), the Saducees (the priests in charge of the Temple rituals and 'cult'), the Essenes (aescetics who withdrew to the Qumran area to live away from society), and the Zealots (also the Siccari,

EDUCATION DIRECTOR
AVIS SMITH

who were the more militant revolutionaries carrying out guerilla attacks against the Romans). Certainly none of these sects were worshipping any minor deities; I've never heard of that. Unless your professor is again confusing the angelic beings (many of whom are named, like Metatron, the angels Michael, Uriel, Gavriel, etc.) with deities – they were active players in rabbinic literature (Midrash) but were never worshipped by the Israelites. What happened over and over again, as you know, is that the Israelites themselves as individuals would often abandon God and revert to

worshipping idols, fertility gods, and other deities from their surrounding civilizations – that happened all the time, which is why the prophets had to tell the people to give up idols and go back to God. But that was outside of their Judaism, not a part of it. – Avis"

"Dear Avis – Well, I hope I'm not monopolizing your inbox, BUT... In our reading, Karen Armstrong tells the story of Elijah, where he tells the prophets of Baal to prove the existence of their god by telling him to make rain. Their god fails to do so, and when Elijah asked the God of Israel to do the same, the heavens opened

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Sydney Kucine Bat Mitzvah



Barb and Cliff Kucine welcome the entire congregation to join them as their daughter, Sydney Kucine, becomes a Bat Mitzvah on May 10, 2008.

Sydney is a 7th grade honor role student at Scarborough Middle School. She is interested in doing lots of research for her school work. Sydney sings with Musica de Filia and plays in her middle school band. She also enjoys playing basketball, track, softball, and soccer.

Sydney would like to thank Rabbi Braun, Avis Smith, Ellie Miller, Laura Boenisch, and all her family and friends for all their support.

Reception to Honor Avis Smith

Please join us, on Sunday, May 18 at 7:30 PM, as we come together in recognition of Avis Smith's 21 years of service with Temple Beth El. The evening program will include sharing of memories, a slide show, and a spectrum of speakers and music.

Refreshments will be served.

Jessica Ariel Goodman Bat Mitzvah



Please join Hilary, Joseph, Rebecca, Melissa, and Ethan Goodman in celebrating the Bat Mitzvah of Jessica Ariel on May 16-17, 2008.

Jessica is a 7th grade high honors student at Lyman Moore Middle School in Portland, where she is also on the math team. She plays piano, dances, and enjoys babysitting. She is looking forward to traveling to China this summer with People to People.

For her mitzvah project, Jessica organized a dance-a-thon at Temple Beth El to raise money for breast cancer. It was a great success! She raised over \$3,000, and all the proceeds were donated to the Cancer Community Center in South Portland. This cause was especially important to Jessica as she was named after her Great Aunt Jo Ambra, who died of breast cancer.

Jessica is very excited for her Bat Mitzvah and welcomes family and friends from as far away as Anchorage, Alaska. Jessica would like to thank Rabbi Braun, Avis Smith, and Laura Boenisch for their great efforts in helping her to prepare for this special day. She has worked hard on chanting her Torah portion, B'har, and Haftarah, Jerimiah.

TBE Board Adopts Goals for Coming Year

At its March 18 meeting, the Temple Beth El Board of Directors identified six goals to focus on during the upcoming Board year, which begins at the Annual Meeting on May 27. The Board formed these goals after reviewing the report generated by the Congregational Survey conducted by Anita Bernhardt and will begin tackling their action plan in earnest during May and June. Anyone interested in being involved with this exciting work should contact Board President, Rick Finberg at rfinberg@maine.rr.com or Executive Director, Liz Rose-Cohen at execdir@templebethel-maine.org or 774-2649.

2008-2009 TEMPLE BETH EL BOARD GOALS

In the area of Worship:

- Develop Lay Service Leaders through a mentoring program that will prepare people to lead Shiva minyanim, Friday Night Shabbat Services, Saturday Morning Shabbat Services, and Morning Minyan Services.

In the area of Community:

- Increase Social Opportunities at TBE by creating a Social Committee with many branches that will organize a variety of events for TBE members over the course of the year.


In the area of Leadership:

- Increase Commitment, Ownership, and a Sense of Shared Responsibility on the part of Board Members by clarifying roles and expectations, and increasing empowerment among newer Board Members.

- Expand the Lay Leadership through an intentional effort to develop, recognize, mentor, encourage, and listen to new lay leaders.

In the area of Communication:

- Satisfy Membership's Desire to be Aware of the Leadership's Work and Decisions by increasing transparency and flow of information to and from membership.

- Increase Membership's Ability to Give Input and Be/Feel Heard by developing a conduit for receiving and responding to member feedback. 

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Come celebrate Israel's 60th Birthday! Hear how the dream of a Jewish state began – and how it continues to unfold today! Learn about Jerusalem's past, and how it shaped the present. And party like an Israeli – with great food and good company!

The program starts Friday evening, May 2 with an Israeli dinner and Israeli-themed presentations by scholars in the field. The evening presentations are co-sponsored by the Adult Jewish Learning Committee and the Hebrew school. Dinner is at 5:45 PM. Services will follow at 7:30 PM.

On Sunday afternoon, May 4, our Salute to Israel continues with a presentation on the history of modern

Jerusalem by Dr. Stephanie Gerber Wilson, assistant director of the Schusterman Center for Israel Studies at Brandeis University. The program is from 2:00 – 4:00 PM.

Yom Ha'Atzmaut – Israel's Independence Day – Thursday evening, May 8. Join us for an informative and entertaining program featuring a talk by the Honorable Leo Vinovesky, the Israeli consul posted to Philadelphia, and a vocal program by his wife, Monica Manaker. The program, which begins at 7:00 PM, is being co-sponsored by the Levey school, the JCA, and the Adult Jewish Learning Committee. Refreshments will be served. 


Kids Kehillah

Dates:

May 3 – 6th grade leading

May 17 – Kindergarten/1st grade/2nd grade leading

May 31 – 4th grade leading


Please join us! 

Kol Yeladim May Events

Thursday, May 8:


A special program and an ice cream party will be held at the Children's Museum in Portland at 3:30 PM to celebrate Israel Independence Day.

Friday, May 16:

Shabbat services will be held at TBE starting at 5:00 PM followed by a dinner. It will be a pajama party theme, so kids can come in their jammies! 



SHALACH MANOT: A BIG MITZVAH WITH MANY HANDS

Thank you to Olivia Solodar, Daniela Skalina, Andre Skalina, Karin Skalina, Joan Levy, Debbie Kanter, Stacey Herwitz, Jodi Veysey, Bob Bradbury, Karen Hindall, Ellen Handleman, Tom Berman and Sarah Muscat for all of their behind the scenes work on the Shalach Manot project (we apologize if we left anyone out!). Thank you also to all of those members young and old whose basket packing fingers got a huge job done very quickly, and to those who delivered the baskets to the entire Congregation. The biggest thank you to ALL of you who sent shalach manot to one another! A wonderful project carried out by so many! Remember, that you do not have to say thank you for a mitzvah, such as giving a shalach manot basket. (There is always next year to remember those who sent to you and opportunities to participate in the project!) 

IN OUR TBE FAMILY

Mazel Tov

To Shari Brinkman-Young, who teaches at Biddeford High School (and a former TBE Hebrew School teacher), is one of 9 finalists for Maine Teacher of the Year.

To Dan Skwire, whose niece, Penelope Jane, was born in Indianapolis on March 12.

To Rabbi Moshe and Chana Wilansky on the birth of their son, Shmuel, who was born on March 19.

To Elizabeth Hague, daughter of Linda Jacobs and Joe Manning, who has been awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to study in Morocco next year. She will be studying the Family Law, enacted in the early 2000s.

To Olivia Solodar who has been awarded the Legacy Heritage Jewish Communal Scholarship for study this summer at the Conservative Yeshiva of United Synagogue in Jerusalem. Olivia will participate in an intensive two week study of the classic texts of Judaism, including Rabbinic literature, Bible, and Philosophy.

We mourn the passing of:

Clara Striar, mother of Ruthanne Singal, on February 12, in Bangor.

Anne Ross, mother of David Ross and mother-in-law of Cantor Ruth Ross, on February 21, in Massachusetts.

Herman Becker-Fluegel, father of Michael Becker, on March 11, in New York

Sarah Turitz, stepmother of Susan Goldberg and David Turitz, on March 14, in Portland.

David Spector, brother of Shirley Levine, on March 16, in Connecticut

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Thanks to the following individuals:

- Barbara and Gil Dichter, Judy Bertram, Hedy Cohen & Rebecca Canter for baking hamantashen for Temple Beth El's Purim celebrations.
- Adam Arens, Norm Wilson, Janine Collins, Tom Berman, & Cliff Kucine for their help with Queen Esther's Karaoke Party, and to all of the singers for entertaining us!
- Debbie Barlock, Clara Purinton, Pat Reef, the Hindall Family, and the Rose-Cohen family for their help stuffing and labeling.
- Reconfiguration Committee and the Interim Search Committee for their work to prepare Temple Beth El for the near and distant future.
- Anita Bernhardt for her work on the Congregational Survey.

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HEBREW SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

by Avis Smith, Education Director

Hebrew High School students helped assemble Shalach Manot baskets, and attended the Jewish Film Festival's showing of "Mechina" in March.

Kitah Heh students participated in the annual Ellis Island Simulation with their peers at Congregation Bet Ha'am on March 30, after a month of preparation.

Kitah Gimel held a Purim parent education day with trivia games, mask-making, and shalach manot stations in the classroom.

Storytellers Larry Koch, Jody Fein and Gail Rosen presented wonderful programs for grades 1 through high school during the week of April 9. The

presentations were sponsored by the Sharon Koch Foundation.

Grades 2- 6 baked matzot with Rabbi Wilansky on Wednesday April 16.

Kitah Vav students will be helping to present the Israel program at our spring Shabbat dinner on May 2.

Students and parents are invited to the Portland Chevra Kadisha's Jewish book burial ceremony on Sunday May 4 at 5 pm at Beth El Memorial Park, followed by a traditional meal at Congregation Bet Ha'am. This is an educational opportunity to learn about how and why we perform this mitzvah. Closing Exercises will be held Sunday morning June 1 in the Sanctuary.

Jewish Stories and Humor Support The Sharon Koch Endowment

by Larry Koch

The Sharon Koch Endowment, operating under the auspices of the JCA, brought storyteller Gail Rosen to Portland in April. Gail shared a Holocaust story to the combined Hebrew High Schools and to residents of the Atrium. Ms. Rosen, who was joined by Larry Koch and Storyteller Jody Fein, told stories at the Temple Beth El, Bet Ha'am and Levey Schools. In addition, Gail appeared on the Sunday Simcha program, spoke at a Volunteer Recognition night at Cedars, and held a Storyteller Shabbat at both Bet Ha'am and Etz Chaim. As the founder of the "Healing Alliance," Gail worked with 17 counselors at the Center for Grieving Children on using storytelling with children and adults who are bereaved, depressed, or survivors.

As someone who knew Gail from her presentations, I knew how moving her stories were. From the seniors at the Atrium and the grief counselors to the

youngest participant in the Hebrew Schools, I am sure that it is unlikely that anyone will ever forget Gail Rosen. Her lessons of compassion and her insights stay with us. As a storyteller, I personally hope Gail's teachings will help the Jewish Community and participating organizations to have an improved understanding of our ancient craft. We hope an appreciative clientele will contribute to the Sharon Koch Endowment through the JCA.

For those who love Jewish stories and especially Jewish Humor, the Sharon Koch Endowment will be holding its rescheduled fundraiser, "Borsht Belt by the Bay," on Sunday, May 4 at 7:00 PM at Breakwater School, located at Brighton Ave. Ten outstanding storytellers and Comedians will entertain you. There will be refreshments and babysitting for an \$8.00 suggested donation, and tickets will be sold at the door. We need volunteers too. Please come; we need the money. Call 797-6701 for more information.

Tikkun Olam

The Tikkun Olam Committee has several ongoing projects. They include:


Collecting food, seasonal clothing in good condition, and personal care items, such as travel size shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc. for the Preble Street Resource Center. Collection bins for various items are located in the Temple lobby with information about current collections.

Collecting Shaw's receipts to benefit Project FEED. Shaw's is now supporting Project FEED by collecting Shaw's receipts and returning a portion of receipt total to this worthwhile program. You can bring in your Shaw's receipts to the Temple and place in the appropriate box in the lobby or you can send them directly to Project FEED at Woodfords Congregational Church, 202 Woodfords St., Portland, ME 04103.

In honor of Israel Independence Day, we will place a tzedakah box in the lobby to collect funds for the Israeli nonprofit organization Givat Haviva. "Founded in 1949, Givat Haviva Institute in Israel has been educating for peace, democracy, coexistence and social solidarity for half a century. With the goal of creating a better society in Israel, Givat Haviva conducts a broad range of formal and informal programs that resist all forms of racism and discrimination, bridge the gaps in Jewish-Arab rela-

tions, and promote greater understanding between different groups in Israeli society." For more information, check out www.givathaviva.org.

Temple Beth El has joined the Interfaith Coalition for Habitat for Humanity's recent house-building project in Portland. As part of the fundraising efforts for this project, Temple Beth El members will be participating in Habitat's Portland/Falmouth Interfaith Walk on May 4th. We invite everyone to join us in raising funds for this worthwhile endeavor; registration is at noon at St. Pius X Church, 492 Ocean Avenue, Portland. For more information, please contact Barbara Peisner, Tikkun Olam Committee Chair, at 797-6651 or Matthew Goldfarb, the Tikkun Olam Committee's liaison to Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build Committee, at 773-4120. You can find a pledge sheet for the walk at www.habitatportlandme.org.

The fourth Thursday of the month continues to be the evening, from 5PM to 7:30PM, during which Temple Beth El members join with Bet Ha'am and other community members to serve dinner at the Wayside Soup Kitchen. For further information, please contact Harlan Baker at 772-9640, or just show up at the soup kitchen on the 4th Thursday of the month. 

ANNIVERSARIES


MAY 2008

- 1 Eve-Karen Finkelstein and John Rejman (20 years)
- 1 David and Amy Goldberg
- 2 Doug Chene and Jennifer Elowitch
- 8 Ben Marcus and Anita Bernhardt (25 years)
- 11 Harry and Florine Gorsky (65 years)
- 12 Steven and Patrice Adler
- 12 Adam and Lisa Arens
- 12 Burt and Barbara Epstein (45 years)
- 25 Leticia and Rhetta Huttman (5 years)
- 26 James and Martha Burns
- 27 Murray and Shirley Rosen (52 years)
- 29 David and Nancy Brenerman (25 years)
- 29 Becca and Jeff Howes
- 30 Doug and Jenn Goldblatt
- 30 Matt and Lynn Goldfarb
- 30 Michael and Linda Jacobson
- 30 Jerry and Phyllis Rosen (62 years)
- 30 Richard and Marie Silver

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Natalie Cogen, mother of Diane Volk, on March 18, in Florida.

Sara Schwartz, mother of Stephen Schwartz, on April 16, in Portland.


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Sunday, May 18, 2008 • 1:00 PM–2:15 PM • Temple Beth El

Come hear the story of Charles Rotmil, born in Strasbourg in 1932. He was one of nearly 400 Jewish children rescued by Father Bruno Reynders during World War II. Father Bruno, a Benedictine monk, has been recognized by Yad Vashem as "righteous among nations." Mr. Rotmil will present his personal account of hiding during the

Holocaust in Belgium and France. His story, as seen through the eyes of a child, will help us make a personal connection between the past and the present.

Mr. Rotmil will be introduced by Dr. Robert Bernheim, Executive Director of the Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine. 



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and it rained. Elijah then slaughters the prophets of Baal. His next action is to flee because he fears the 'reaction' after he murders the prophets. MY QUESTION. Did God tell Elijah to kill the prophets? I don't understand why. And if God did not ask him to, why would he murder them, and break one of God's commandments? When the Israelites rejoice after the Egyptians drown, God tells them not to rejoice because his people are dying... is it possible that Elijah fled to the mountains because he feared God's reaction to killing his people? Is this the same Elijah we set a place for at the Passover table? What is his relation to Passover?"


"Dear X—Your question is a good one, as always. If you read the background of the Elijah incident in I Kings 17–18, it tells us that King Ahab and his evil queen Jezebel set up altars to Baal and displeased God, and they rounded up and slaughtered 'the prophets of the Lord.' So the contest on Mt. Carmel can be looked at as retaliation for the slaughter of the Israelite prophets (sort of in the same way the death of the firstborn plague can be seen as a retaliation for the slaying of the Hebrew baby boys by Pharaoh). Again, remember that killing is often not only permitted but sometimes sanctioned in the bible—anything that could induce the Israelites to draw away from the one

true God and become idolaters was a threat that had to be gotten rid of, since idolatry was the worst sin possible. (Remember Moses and his followers slaughter some 3000 Israelites who had just built and worshiped the Golden Calf!) The same Elijah is the one we open the door for at Passover. He has come to be associated with the coming of messianic times, largely because he didn't 'die' but was transported up to God in a fiery chariot and whirlwind, which gives him special 'eternal' status, and because the prophet Malachi, at the end of his book, quotes God as saying, 'Behold, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before the coming of the awesome, fearful day of the Lord...', which was interpreted to mean that Elijah will help announce the coming of messianic times—the Passover connection is supposedly that if every Jewish household were observing Passover properly (and Elijah comes around to check) then it would be enough to bring about the coming of God's kingdom....keep your questions coming!!! - Avis"

"Dear Avis—I have returned with more questions! I have two questions regarding Moses that raised their little heads when I was reading (once again) Karen Armstrong's *A History of God*. The simple one is: The name Moses means 'I brought you from the water' (right?). Is this a possible foreshadowing of his destiny to lead the children of Israel to freedom by

bringing them through the Red Sea?"

"Dear X—Regarding the name, many scholars believe it comes from the Egyptian 'mose' as in the well-known Pharaohs' names Thutmose, Ahmose, etc., which usually means 'child of' or 'born to.' The water association is right on target—since Moses will lead the people through the sea. There is another beautiful little midrash that explains why it is Aaron who starts the first plague (Ex. 19: 'Say to Aaron, take your rod and hold out your arm over the waters of Egypt, that they may turn to blood...')—the midrash says it is because the waters of the Nile saved Moses from death, therefore he could not personally do them any harm. Later on there are all those desert references to getting water from the rock, and remember that it is when Moses strikes the rock instead of speaking to it that he is punished by not being allowed to go into the promised land. So, water is an incredibly important association for Moses—starting with his Hebrew name."

I eagerly look forward to opening my email these days in hopes that there will be new questions from my student. I am thrilled that she is seeking to go more deeply into her studies and that she is determined to reconcile her Jewish knowledge with the new information she is receiving. Most of all I am thrilled to be part of the power of Torah as it makes its mark on yet another new generation of Jews. 

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