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TEMPLE BETH EL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF OCTOBER 24 - 30, 2014 30 TISHREI - 6 CHESHVAN, 5775



"Blessing the New Moon II" - Victor Brindatch (1941 -)

ROSH CHODESH *Parashat Noah*

Torah Reading:

Genesis 6:9 - 11:32 (annual)
Genesis 8:15 - 10:32 (triennial)
Maftir: Numbers 28:9 - 15
Haftarah: Isaiah 66:1 - 24, 23

Candle Lighting:

Erev Shabbat - Fri. Oct. 24 5:24 pm
Havdalah - Sat. Oct. 25 6:24 pm

Shabbat Shalom!

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mon. - Fri.	6:50 am
Friday evening	5:30 pm
Saturday	9:30 am
Sunday	9:00 am
Jewish Holidays	9:30 am
Secular Holidays	8:30 am

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THIS WEEK AT TBE

Friday, October 24 - Erev Rosh Chodesh

6:50 am Morning Minyan
5:24 pm *Candle lighting time*
5:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Saturday, October 25 - Rosh Chodesh

9:30 am Shabbat services
10:45 am Children's Shabbat service
6:24 pm *Havdalah time*

Sunday, October 26

9:00 am Morning Minyan and
Schmooze & Shmear
9:00 am Kadima Beth El
9:30 am Gift Shop Grand Re-Opening
& Dedication Ceremony
10:00 am Teen Beit Midrash
10:30 am Ethical Dimensions of the
Israel/Palestine Conflict with
Rabbi David Freidenreich
11:00 am KBE B'Yachad Sing-a-Long
12:00 pm Torah Reading Master class
with Rabbi David Freidenreich

Monday, October 27

6:50 am Morning Minyan

Tuesday, October 28

6:50 am Morning Minyan

Wednesday, October 29

6:50 am Morning Minyan
8:05 am Melton Course - Foundations

of Jewish Family Living
3:30 pm Kadima Beth El

Thursday, October 30

6:50 am Morning Minyan

CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences to the family of Marcia Schwey Cutler, who passed away on Monday, October 20 in Boynton Beach, FL. Marcia was the beloved sister of **Rita Weisberg**, sister-in-law of **Abraham Benjamin** and **Edward Richman**, and aunt of **Karen Lerman** and **Ken Silver**.

Zichrona l'vracha - May Marcia's memory be for a blessing.

TODAH RABAH - THANK YOU

Correction: **Todah Rabah to Barbara Dichter** for repairing the trim-work on the Bimah cover.

Todah Rabah to Tom Berman for troubleshooting some computer and server issues.

Todah Rabah to the Tikkun Olam Committee for co-hosting the Food Insecurity event with NCJW and for providing breakfast.

Todah Rabah Ernie & Toby Wallach for volunteering with the Gift Shop setup.

TBE NEWS

TEFILLAT YELADIM - KIDS' SHABBAT SERVICES

Children ages 3-10 years old are warmly welcome to attend *tefillat yeladim* (kids' services) every Shabbat morning for singing, dancing, stories, and games. We begin during the *haftorah* reading (at approx. 10:45 am), but feel free to arrive earlier. Parents are welcome to participate as well.

SPECIAL COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S SERVICES:

- **This Shabbat, October 25**, please join us for special Community Children's services with children from Congregation Shaarey Tphiloh, lead by Morah Debbie (Kanter).
- **On November 1**, TBE children over the age of 4 are invited to join the kids' service at Shaarey Tphiloh at 76 Noyes St. (The kids will be walked over so that TBE parents can still enjoy the TBE Torah service).



TBE GIFT SHOP GRAND REOPENING & DEDICATION CEREMONY

Sunday, October 26, 2014 | 9:30 am-12:00 pm

Temple Beth El lobby

Refreshments will be served. All are welcome!

Come see our beautifully remodeled space and browse a special selection of gorgeous Israeli and international Judaica, jewelry, children's books and games, and more...

- **Candlesticks**
- **Kiddush Cups**
- **Mezuzahs**
- **Kippot**
- **Challah and matzah covers**
- **Menorahs**
- **Israeli honey**
- **Wall decor**
- **Toys**
- **Baby gifts, and more!**

KOL YELADIM LEARNS ABOUT SHABBAT!



Temple Beth El's Early Childhood program for families with children ages 0-3 years
Sunday, November 2, from 9:15 to 10:00 am
Temple Beth El - 400 Deering Avenue, Room 1A - school wing
RSVP to Deena Schoenfeld at kolyeladim@tbemaine.org or 774-2649.

Please join us for stories, music and crafts for young children as we learn about Shabbat. Program is free. All are welcome!
 Upcoming Kol Yeladim events - Sundays, 9:15 - 10:00 am at

TBE:

Dec. 14, 2014 * Jan. 11, 2015 * Feb. 1, 2015 * March 1, 2015 * March 29, 2015 * May 17, 2015

Kol Yeladim (Hebrew for "voice of the children"), TBE's early childhood program, is a positive, fun and educational introduction to the joys of Judaism, Hebrew, Shabbat and Jewish holidays, for children ages 0-3 years and their families. Kol Yeladim programs meet monthly on Sundays during the school year and are free and open to the community.



CANTOR KURT MESSERSCHMIDT'S 100TH BIRTHDAY BRUNCH

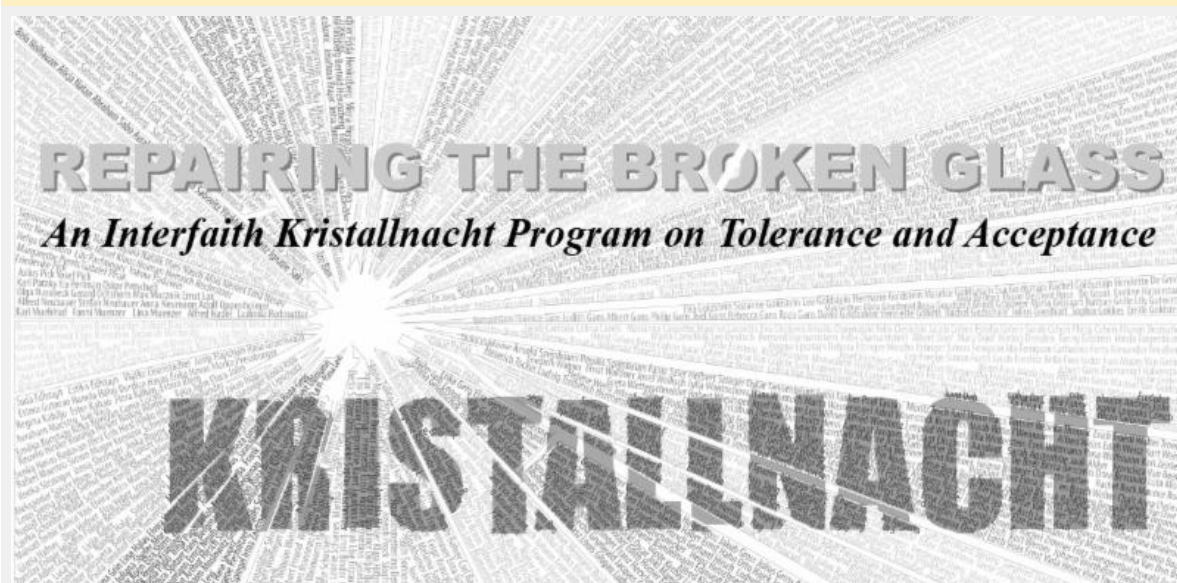
Sunday, November, 9 | 10:30 am - 12:00 noon

Temple Beth El Social Hall

RSVP required: 774-2649

Please join us for a complimentary brunch to celebrate the 100th birthday of our beloved Cantor Emeritus Kurt Messerschmidt, featuring a delicious dairy brunch and special presentations. We invite you to make a donation in Cantor Messerschmidt's honor to the new **Cantor Kurt and Sonja Messerschmidt Fund** at Temple Beth El. Donations

to this fund will support the enhancement of our musical programming, prayer services, and sound system. We are suggesting \$100 donations in honor of Cantor Messerschmidt's 100 years, however we welcome any amount.



REPAIRING THE BROKEN GLASS

An Interfaith Kristallnacht Program on Tolerance and Acceptance

November 9, 2014

12:30 - 4:30 pm

Temple Beth El - 400 Deering Avenue, Portland

Parking is limited so please carpool and arrive early.

Open to public * Free of charge

RSVPs requested but not required: office@fccucc.org.

Event Partners:

*First Congregational Church UCC, South Portland * Temple Beth El **

*Congregation Bet Ha'am * RCAD - Religious Coalition Against Discrimination in Maine **

Jewish Community Alliance of Southern Maine

Please join us for this first annual intergenerational event. Our mission is to increase education, awareness, and empowerment, using this historical context as a lens through which we engage contemporary issues. After an introductory educational session, two workshops will be available:

Slam Poetry (or Spoken Word)

Geared toward teens and young adults but open to everyone, including auditors. Participants will learn about slam poetry styles and techniques through a gifted instructor and will write their own pieces inspired by the stories of Kristallnacht or other experiences of hate and violence, or acceptance and inclusion.

Personal Narrative

Geared toward adults but open to everyone, including auditors. Participants will learn about legacy writing, hear the narratives of people who experienced Kristallnacht, and write their own stories of brokenness and healing.

Several pieces from both workshops will be chosen by the facilitators to be read or performed in a joint program at the end of the day.

Speakers / Facilitators: Judith Goldstein, Michael Burnett, Colleen Myers, Sue Clark



SHABBAT HALAILA - Family Kabbalat Shabbat Service & Community Dinner, hosted by KBE

Friday, November 14

**5:30 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 6:30 pm - Dinner
Temple Beth El**

Kadima Beth El (KBE), TBE's religious school program, invites the entire congregation to our special monthly Family Kabbalat Shabbat Service and Community Dinner. Please join us for this wonderful opportunity to celebrate Shabbat together with old friends and new over a joyous Shabbat meal! **RSVP to the TBE office - 774-2649, office@tbemaine.org.** Cost for dinner: Adults - \$10, children (age 4-12) - \$6, children (3 and under) - free. Family maximum - \$25. Kadima Beth El Families - no charge (included in school tuition).



CELEBRATING OUR MEMBERS - MONTHLY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY KIDDUSH

Special November Kiddush: Saturday, November 15

Following 9:30 am - Shabbat Service

Temple Beth El Social Hall

Starting in November and going forward, TBE will be honoring our members whose birthday or anniversary falls within that month with a special monthly Kiddush. Please join us for Kiddush after Shabbat services that will include a special cake from Cookie Jar Bakery in Cape Elizabeth. Feel free to invite your family and friends to help you celebrate. **RSVP to the TBE office 774-2649 or office@tbemaine.org to let us know if you can join us!** All are welcome. If you aren't sure that our office has your birthdate or anniversary listed, **please contact us at office@tbemaine.org.** *Mazel tov!*

TBE BROTHERHOOD NEWS

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS (and their parents): Brotherhood continues their program of awarding a college scholarship of \$1,000 to graduating high school students who commit to attend morning Minyan one day a week for the school year. Come join us in this mitzvah of helping to make a Minyan for those saying Kaddish. **If you have any questions, please contact Fran Jacobson at (207) 773-8972.**

WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

TBE's Tikkun Olam committee is conducting a cold weather clothing drive to assist members of the greater Portland community in need. Please bring in new or gently used coats, sweaters and sweatshirts, warm socks, gloves, mittens, hats, and scarves and place in the collection bin in the lower lobby.

ETHICAL DIMENSIONS OF THE ISRAEL / PALESTINE CONFLICT

A four part course with Rabbi David Freidenreich

Remaining sessions: Oct. 26 • Nov. 2

10:30 am -12:00 pm | All are welcome!

Temple Beth El - Youth Lounge/Library (off of the Social Hall)

These sessions meet in collaboration with the Teen Beit Midrash.

Register with the TBE office at 774-2649 or office@tbemaine.org.

As the recent war in and around Gaza once again demonstrated, the conflict over the Land of Israel/Palestine raises profound ethical questions which reasonable people of good will answer differently. This text-based, discussion-oriented course for teens and adults explores ethical dilemmas associated with Israeli responses to Hamas attacks, resistance to what Palestinians regard as Israeli occupation, the use of history to justify Israeli and Palestinian claims, and the nature of Israel as a self-defined Jewish state. Come explore these dilemmas, reflect on your own responses to them, and gain a deeper understanding of why some people respond differently. The required readings for the course are available on the [TBE website](#) on the Teen Beit Midrash page and in the TBE office in advance of each session.

A joint program of the KBE Teen Beit Midrash, the Adult Jewish Learning Committee, and Colby College's Jewish Studies Program. The course, part of Colby's Perspectives on Israel series, is made possible in part by the Legacy Heritage Jewish Studies Project, directed by the Association for Jewish Studies (AJS). Support for the Legacy Heritage Jewish Studies Project is generously provided by Legacy Heritage Fund Limited.

TORAH READING MASTER CLASS with Rabbi David Freidenreich

Sundays, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, when KBE Religious School is in session.

Temple Beth El - Library / Youth Lounge, off of the Social Hall.

Interested in improving your skills as a Torah reader? This is the class for you: we'll work on some of the finer points of Torah trope and biblical grammar so that you can read more accurately and learn aliyot more rapidly. Those who have never read Torah or haven't read for many years are also welcome to participate -- you'll get up to speed quickly with a bit of effort. Participants in this class are expected to read Torah regularly on Shabbat mornings.

Save the date!

EXPLORING ISRAEL'S SECULAR-RELIGIOUS DIVIDE THROUGH POPULAR MEDIA

with Rabbi Rachel Isaacs of Beth El Israel Congregation & Colby College, Waterville

Sunday, Dec. 14 - 10:00 am | Temple Beth El

Using clips from some of Israel's most popular dramas and comedies, Rabbi Isaacs will discuss social and political schisms in Israeli society. We will watch scenes from the internationally renowned drama *Srugim*, the beloved comedy *Arab Labor*, and the uproariously funny *What is this Nonsense* with Adi Ashkenazi. Q&A follows.

KADIMA BETH EL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

B'YACHAD SING-A-LONG - THIS SUNDAY 10/26 -- PARENTS INVITED!

This Sunday, October 26, KBE parents (and grandparents, younger siblings, and so on!) are invited to a special event at KBE. For our last hour of school, 11:00 am-12:00 pm, we'll be having an awesome sing-a-long with our wonderful music teacher, Charlie Miller! Please join us at 11:00 am in the sanctuary!

OPEN CLASSROOM, WEDNESDAY 10/29

Come see the 3-6 graders in action on Wednesday, October 29th, as we open up our classroom for the first time this year. Students will be presenting what they learned in their two first-unit projects, Jewish Debate Club and Making a Jewish Calendar.

TEEN BEIT MIDRASH 10/26 -- HOMEWORK!

The pre-reading for the next Teen Beit Midrash series is available on the Beit Midrash page of the [TBE website](#).

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

We need lots of help to make the KBE school year the best it can be! You can sign up by dropping off the form that was mailed home, by signing up on Morah Mel's door, or by clicking through **this link** and signing up online!



KADIMA BETH EL - 'Like' us on Facebook!

Check out Kadima Beth El's page on Facebook by **clicking here**. "Like" our page to get updates from our Education Director Melanie Weiss about our exciting programs and activities!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

YAD L'YAD

Yad L'Yad, Temple Beth El's Caring Committee, is always available to reach out to those in need. If you or someone you know could use a hand, contact the TBE office at 774-2649. **To help out, please contact Becky DeLois at radelois@gmail.com.**

WANTED: a back-up cook to help make kosher meals...if you know of anyone, please have them contact us.

VOLUNTEER AT TBE

We can always use your help! Please volunteer your time helping us with the following: plant care, holiday celebrations, our fundraising events, food shopping, food preparation, gift shop, office help & mailings, usher or greeter, and library.

If you would like to add your name to our volunteer list, please contact the office at office@tbemaine.org or 774-2649.

IN THE COMMUNITY

JCA ANNUAL CAMPAIGN and SUPER SUNDAY!

Sundays, Oct. 26 and Nov. 2, 2014

Jewish Community Alliance - 57 Ashmont Street, Portland, Maine

This year the JCA will host two Super Sunday Phonathons to accommodate the busy schedules of our diverse community. Please join us to connect with our neighbors and secure the funding we all need to support and enhance our vibrant Jewish community. Calling will take place at the JCA on Sunday, October 26 and Sunday, November 2. For times, or to sign up yourself and/or your team, **please contact Tal Zucker at 772-1959 or jca@mainejewish.org**. Free childcare and snacks provided!

DOCUMENTARY FILM PREMIERE FOR 'BLUE TATTOO'

Sunday, October 26 | 2:00pm - 4:00pm

The Maine Jewish Museum | 267 Congress St. Portland ME 04101

Live music by Joe Crookston ~ Film Screening ~ Community Conversation

Featuring Dr. Robert Atkinson, Director of the USM Life Story Center.

The film, "Blue Tattoo", is based on a song by Ithaca NY-based artist and songwriter, Joe Crookston. At the premiere, Crookston will perform original story songs and introduce the film. Following the screening, Crookston be joined by Dr. Robert Atkinson, Founder and Director of the USM Life Story Commons (**the Center for the Study of Lives**). Crookston and Atkinson will facilitate a community conversation about the film and the power of collecting and sharing human stories.

For more info, visit: **<http://mainejewishmuseum.org>** or call 207-773-2339.

Suggested donation of \$12/person. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

THE BATTLE FOR HISTORY: ISRAELI AND PALESTINIAN NARRATIVES IN WAR AND PEACEMAKING

The Annual Lipman Lecture by Gershom Gorenberg

Wednesday, Nov. 5 | 7:00 pm

Colby College | Parker-Reed Room, Schair-Swenson-Watson Alumni Center

A Perspectives on Israel event

THE SECOND ANNUAL COLBY / BATES / BOWDOIN / BETH ISRAEL SHABBATON

Friday, Nov. 7 | 5:00 pm

Colby College | Parker Reed Room, Schair-Swenson-Watson Alumni Center

An evening of celebration and learning that features a festive dinner and a bluegrass Kabbalat Shabbat service -- come sing traditional tunes to the twang of a banjo.

Saturday, Nov. 8 | 10:00 am

Colby College | Meet in front of the President's House on Mayflower Hill

Join us for a prayer hike on the Colby campus.

At 12:30 pm, come for lunch, followed by song and Torah study, at the campus apartment of Rabbi Rachel Isaacs.

All are invited, but RSVPs are required for meals. For more information or to RSVP, please email Rabbi Rachel Isaacs at risaacs@colby.edu.

Sponsored by Colby Hillel and Beth Israel Congregation.

THE FALL TIKVAH FAMILY SHABBATON

November 7-9

Camp Ramah in New England, Palmer, MA

Camp Ramah in New England and Reshet Ramah invite you to join them for a fun, meaningful weekend retreat for families with children with disabilities. Cost is \$125 per adult and \$75 per child. **For more information, contact Tali Cohen, Director of**

Tikvah Vocational Services, at talic@campramahne.org.

Yahrzeits

Saturday, October 25 / 1 Cheshvan

Eris Renczenski

Lena Seavey

Bertha Shapiro

Sunday, October 26 / 2 Cheshvan

Nathan Cohen

Alexander H. Epstein

Edward Gould

Harry Mack

Frances Turitz

Monday, October 27 / 3 Cheshvan

Edward D. Dibner

Tuesday, October 28 / 4 Cheshvan

Bernard Millman

Anna Rodman

Howard Surgecoff

Wednesday, October 29 / 5 Cheshvan

Frances Bigman

Herbert Greenblatt

Sara Troubh

Thursday, October 30 / 6 Cheshvan

Julius Brecher

Alex Stern

Friday, October 31 / 7 Cheshvan

Abraham Belsky

Rita Binder

Elizabeth M. Blotner

Sarah Jolovitz

Anne Most

Myron Read

THE TEMPLE BETH EL MISSION

Our vision is to be an embracing, supportive and vibrant community which observes Judaism in the Conservative tradition and which is devoted to the perpetuation of Jewish values and culture. Temple Beth El honors the diversity of its members and is

committed to their spiritual growth.

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