

Rabbi's Message

November 2008

WE GATHER TOGETHER

We are fortunate to celebrate two Thanksgivings, one immediately following another. The first was Sukkot, which we marked this past month. Sukkot thanks the Eternal for bringing us out of Egypt and providing booths (*sukkot*) in which we could dwell as we wandered through the wilderness. It also gives thanks for the abundance of the autumn harvest, without which we could not have survived the long, dry season in the Land of Israel.

When the Puritans settled New England, far from their homes and life in England, they felt that they, too, were coming into a wilderness and needed the protection of the Almighty. They, too, were impelled to give thanks when they were blessed to bring in a fall harvest that would enable them to live through the harsh winter. When they looked for a model of how to do this, they found it in the Bible, in the holiday of Sukkot. The holiday they proclaimed has become known as Thanksgiving.

The holiday has been marked as well by an ideal of community that brings people together across otherwise undividable lines. The first Thanksgiving opened the possibility that whites and Indians could live together. While this rarely occurred, the possibility of cooperation has always been at the heart of Thanksgiving. Wilbur Cross, a noted governor before he became known to us as a Parkway, issued a famous "Proclamation of Public Thanksgiving" in 1936. In it, he suggested that we should be grateful "for liberty and for justice freely granted by each to his fellow and so freely enjoyed."

On the Shoreline, religious leaders and communities have worked diligently to bring to life the spirit of this proclamation and of Thanksgiving in general. Temple Beth Tikvah and Rabbi Sommer have been at the forefront of this effort. This year, as often in the past, it will be celebrated in a **joint Thanksgiving Service**. Our synagogue and churches in Madison and Guilford will come together in worship and in gratitude. **The service will take place on Tuesday, November 25, at 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church on Ledge Hill Road in North Guilford.** Please join us for this very special celebration as we, in the words of the old Dutch hymn that is reprinted in Gates of Prayer, "gather together to ask the Lord's blessing."

L'Shalom,

Rabbi Thomas M. Alpert

Torah Tots

Torah Tots meets on **Sunday, November 2nd**, 11 to noon. Come join us for an interactive parent-grandparent –child oriented session. This month the theme is Shabbat. Open to congregants and interested community members of pre-school aged children. There will be a craft and snack. Meet the Rabbi, Ms. Geringer and our librarian, Linda DeRusha. RSVP to Sandy in the temple office.

SHABBAT SERVICES

November 7 (7:30 p.m.)

New Members' Shabbat Service
Learners' Service

November 14 (7:00 p.m.)

Erev Shabbat Service
Grade 3 Siddur Presentation

November 21 (7:30 p.m.)

Erev Shabbat Service

November 28 (6:00 p.m.)

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

President's Message

Thank you, one and all!

This year's High Holidays were immensely successful due to the efforts of many members of our Temple Beth Tikvah community. I would like to take the time to acknowledge these wonderful individuals:

First, a special thank you to both Rabbi Alpert and Cantor Goldberg for creating a sacred time and space for our congregation to observe the Days of Awe.

Thank you also to Sandy Walsh and Jane Luyckx, whose tireless efforts and endless patience are truly appreciated!

Thanks also to our custodians, Don Bernat and Al Davenport.

Thank you to Stu Weinzimer and Robin Baker and the rest of the Religious Activities Committee (Judy Merriam, Julie Danetz, Karen Calechman, Margaret Lerner, Josh Hatton, Marshal Elovich, Lisa Harding, Anne Kahrmanis, Toby Tortora, Rita Christopher) for their work in coordinating the many facets of High Holiday planning.

Thank you to the following individuals for their participation in these ways:

Readers

Cecle Adler, Joe Adler, Ronni Berman, Sarah Blank, Karen Calechman, Barbara Chupp, Jodi Cohen, Arlene Elovich, Donna Fedus, Jo-Ann Fleischman, Josh Hatton, Phyllis Kaufman, Andrea Kaye, Elaine Reitman, Pam Rosenberg, Ed Sack, Jodi Schneider, Leslie Sude, Aaron Tessler

Aliyot

Jeff Babbin, Robin Baker, Yechiel Bart, Wendy Bluemling, Julie Danetz, Jack Davis, Marshal Elovich, Amy Eppler-Epstein, John Foggie, Bonnie Garmisa, Erin Hallenbeck, Lisa Harding, Anne Kahrmanis, Nancy Kahrmanis, Seth Klaskin, Judy Merriam, Neal Moskow, Sam Powell, Sandi Rader, Jeff Rosenberg, David Ross-Russell, Walter Stutzman, Josh Watsky, Beryl Weinstein, Stu Weinzimer, Helen Winokur

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Hagbah/G'lilah

David Harding, Ted Langevin, Claire Morduch, Ken Rosenberg, Barbara Stahl, David Stern, Esther Stutzman, Toby Tortora

Sermonettes

Judith Barr, Al Goldberg

Choir – directed by Frank May

Ellen Bell, Ronni Berman, Alberta Besso, Bob Junghandel, Phyllis Junghandel, Jill Kahrmanis, Barbara Levy, Daniel Phillips, David Ross-Russell, Laurie Ruderfer, Judy Selakoff, Joel Silidker, David Stern, Cindy Taylor, Aaron Tessler, Stu Weinzimer

Youth Choir

Ilana Foggie, Alyssa Friend, Brianna Friend, Sam Ickovics Thorpe, Abraham LeGrant, Molly LeGrant, Danielle Klaskin, Erika Klaskin, Camryn Spaziani, Jake Stern, Josh Stern, Madison Zimmerman

Youth Group for leading the Parallel Youth Services

Ushers

Art Beck, Doug Agranov, Rita Christopher, Marshal Elovich, Al Goldberg

Parking – coordinated by Ted Langevin

Mark Bluemling, David Buller, Scott Casper, Kevin Coady, Josh Copel, David Fleischman, Joel Galvin, Steve Ketainick, Brad Kronstat, Joel Silidker, Walter Spigelman, Jack Srebnik

Break-fast – coordinated by Arlene and Bennett Paul

David and Rosemary Baggish, Paul Beckman, Howard Berke, Al Goldberg, Irma Grebel, The Grove School, Leslie Mallimson, Barry and Joan Richter, Jonathan Snyder, Ron and Jeff Zollshan

Other

Rita Christopher and Joel Silidker (Baal Tekiah)
Patty Smith-Romanski (cellist)
Chad Hardin, Walter Stutzman, Jake Stern (piano)
Sue Groll and Eileen Hagerty (candle-lighting)
Steve, Amy and Sarah Eppler-Epstein (music)

I apologize if I accidentally omitted anyone from this lengthy list. As the Torah instructs, we recognize that it takes an entire community to conduct these services. Let us be thankful we enjoy the blessing of being part of a religious community.

THE JEWISH EXPERIENCE ON FILM 2009 SERIES

Please join us for the 20th year of TBT's film discussion series examining Jewish life in our country and around the world. This year's program is scheduled for three consecutive weeks in March and includes extraordinary films from the U.S., Brazil and Israel. You won't want to miss any one of these remarkable films. The first program will begin with a celebratory wine and cheese reception. All are welcome.

Ken & Martha Gamerman

STEAL A PENCIL FOR ME

7 p.m. - March 11th

This moving documentary chronicles an unshakeable 60-year romance that blossomed in the concentration camps and endured despite the horrors of the Holocaust. Compelling footage of pre-war Holland and Nazi rule are joined with moving anecdotes about the Dutch-Jewish experience in World War II. Holocaust survivors Jack Polak and Ina Soep narrate their odyssey - from German-occupied Amsterdam to internment at Westerbork and Bergen-Belsen to life in postwar America – with remarkable honesty, intelligence and wit. This testament to the survival of true love transforms an experience of devastating darkness to one of hope and renewal. In English and Dutch, with English subtitles.

THE YEAR MY PARENTS WENT ON VACATION

7 p.m. – March 18th

Sports and politics play an important role in this suspenseful coming-of-age drama set in Brazil during the 1970s. As a military junta denies civil rights and arrests dissenters, the national soccer team is making its way toward the finals of the World Cup. These events are filtered through the perceptions of twelve-year-old Mauro, a Jewish boy whose parents have been forced to go into hiding. This unique fish-out-of-water story radiates warmth, humanity, and subtle humor as it focuses on the daily life of a Jewish lower-middle-class neighborhood in Sao Paulo. In Portuguese, Hebrew and Yiddish, with English sub-titles.

BEAUFORT

7 p.m. - March 25th

Based on the acclaimed Israeli novel, *If There Is A Heaven*, this intense drama is set in a real fortress built during the Crusades, later captured by Israel in the 1982 invasion of Lebanon and held until the Israeli withdrawal in 2000. A powerful and riveting exploration of men in combat, this drama faithfully reveals how the mundane duties of a military assignment co-exist with the ever-present fear of impending violence and death. Critically acclaimed for its compelling vision of war and its haunting political implications, this film was nominated as *Best Foreign Film at the 2008 Academy Awards*. In Hebrew, with English subtitles.

Attention: New Members

Please plan on attending Shabbat services on Friday night, November 7, 2008 when we will honor YOU, our newest members. Share in a warm Shabbat service and then an Oneg Shabbat where you will be able to visit with other new and longer standing members of the synagogue family.

See you on November 7th!

Rosh Chodesh continues with Kislev

Our celebration of Rosh Chodesh Kislev will take place this year on Monday, December 1 at 7:30 p.m. and will be led by Judith Barr.

Rosh Chodesh is a biblical holiday that sanctifies the appearance of the first sliver of moon each month, symbolizing renewal and the cycle of life. Since the Middle Ages, it has been set apart as a holiday particularly important to women, for a variety of historical and religious reasons. Rosh Chodesh offers a varied forum for prayer, study and discussion of issues of particular concern to women. There is no fee to participate.

Rosh Chodesh is a participatory experience in which all have the opportunity to lead. Please contact Cantor Goldberg by e-mail at: cantor@templebethtikvahct.org, or call her at the synagogue, 203-245-7028, ext, 18 for further information. All services begin at 7:30 at TBT unless otherwise noted.

Rosh Chodesh dates, 5769

Monday, Dec. 1 (Kislev)

Monday, January 26 (Shevat)

Tuesday, February 24 (Adar)

Thursday, March 26 (Nisan)

Thursday, April 23 (Iyar) – *Please note date change*

Tuesday, May 26 (Sivan)

Monday, June 22 (Tammuz)

Calling all Craftspeople

Just in time for Chanukah, the Sisterhood is organizing a Craft Fair as a fundraiser event. It will be held on Sunday, December 14th from 10 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the TBT social hall. Vendors will have a chance to display and sell their unique creations to the community at large. If you or anyone you know would like to be a vendor at the craft fair, please contact Adrienne Sharon (adriennesharon@yahoo.com), 779-5373 or Heide Mueller-Hatton (fraulein_heide@yahoo.com), 533-5005.

TBT CHOIR NEWS

We welcome adults and children to join our TBT choirs. Our next event will be the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at St. John's Episcopal Church in Guilford at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 25, when choirs from congregations in Guilford and Madison get together to make music for this service.

All are welcome to join; no previous knowledge of music or Hebrew is required. Please contact Cantor Goldberg at cantor@templebethtikvahct.org, or call her at the synagogue, 203-245-7028, ext. 18 for further information or to join the choir. Rehearsals will be Wednesday, November 12 and 19, at 7:30 at TBT. Other dates for services and rehearsals include:

Interfaith choir exchange with North Guilford Congregational Church

Friday, January 16, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, January 18, 10:00 a.m.

Rehearsals: Wednesdays, December 17, January 7, 14 TBT Thursday, January 15, NGCC, 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat service – Friday, March 6, 7:30 p.m.

Rehearsals: Wednesdays, February 11, 18, 25, March 4

Yom Hashoah service, Monday, April 20, 7:00 p.m.

Rehearsals: Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.: March 25, April 1.

Choir Shabbat, Friday, June 19, 7:30 p.m.

Rehearsals: Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. May 27, June 3, 10, 17



TBT Youth Ensemble

TBT's Youth Ensemble, open to students in 3rd-7th grades, rehearses from 5:15 – 6 p.m. on Wednesdays, immediately after Hebrew school. It is possible to join the group at any point, and no previous musical knowledge or experience is required.

Please contact Cantor Goldberg to sign children up for the choir at cantor@templebethtikvahct.org, or call her at the synagogue, 203-245-7028, ext. 18.

The choir will also sing at services and concerts throughout the year... the next opportunity will be the 3rd grade Siddur Presentation Family Service on November 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Other dates:

Sunday, February 8, time TBA, TBT Religious School

TBT Variety Show: Sunday, April 26, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 1, 7 p.m. Yom Ha-Azmaut (Israeli Independence Day) Family Service

Choir Shabbat, Friday, June 19, 7:30 p.m.

Social Justice

High Holiday Food Drive

As always, we had a very successful food collection. TBT members contributed enough food to fill eight vehicles. Food was given to Killingworth Helping Hands, Madison Community Services, Guilford Food Bank and Branford Community Dining Room. Kosher items and Jewish food was given to JFS Food Pantry. Now, more than ever, your generosity is appreciated by these agencies and the clients they serve. Thank you.

Read Aloud at the Mauro School

Join us on Tuesday morning, November 18 when we read aloud from the books bought by your contributions to classes at the Mauro School. It's a very enjoyable and satisfying experience to meet those eager young readers. Contact Ellen Goldfarb (458-3061/erg1021a@aol.com) or me, Elaine Reitman (245-2261/ereitman@sbcglobal.net) for additional information.

November Meeting Cancelled

The Social Justice Committee will not hold its regular monthly meeting on November 11. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 9 at 7:30 PM. Please join us.

Join us again this year for

TBT KNITS

Sunday November 9th

9:30-11:30 am

a casual gathering* of knitters of all levels
(really! no experience necessary)

This year we're knitting warm items of any kind for IRIS, in support of the work of our TBT Social Action Committee.

Hats, scarves, mitts, sweaters if you're truly ambitious, all sizes are needed for refugee families arriving from warmer climates.

If you're a beginner, bring a pair of size 10 needles and some chunky yarn and we'll get you started. Patterns available or bring your own.

*TBT Knits is an informal group. Come when you can, the attendees are always changing and you're welcome to drop by anytime. We'll be downstairs in the nursery school room.

For more info or to RSVP :

Julie Fraenkel famis@snet.net

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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR COLLEGE APPLICANTS

Thanks to a generous gift from the Stutzman Family Foundation, Temple Beth Tikvah is pleased to invite applications for the Beatrice and David Friesner Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship will provide \$10,000 to help defray the cost of freshman year expenses to one member of the Temple community. To apply, you must be in your final year of high school and be in the process of applying to an accredited four-year college or university. The award is conditional upon your ultimately being accepted by and enrolling in college for the academic year 2009-2010. The award is merit-based; no showing of financial need is required. The successful candidate will have demonstrated excellence in scholarship and character.

Anyone interested in obtaining an application should contact Sandy Walsh in the Temple office. Completed applications, and all letters of recommendation, must be submitted to the Temple office by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, January 16, 2009.

Library News

We are making good progress in reclassifying and cataloging the Besso Library collections. The Reference collection is now completely cataloged, as are the majority of the adult titles in the Dewey 300-900 (Social sciences, Languages, Science, Applied science/Technology, the Arts, Literature and History). Heavily-used titles from the Juvenile collections are also all cataloged; work continues on that collection as time allows. I have posted copies of the new Elazar classification's general organizational structure in the library to familiarize patrons with it, and to help steer you in the desired general direction for browsing.

I will be out of the library on vacation beginning October 16th, returning Wednesday, November 5th so we will not have story time until I return. But please feel free to use the library collections and to borrow materials while I am away. You can use our simple self-check-out procedure, which is posted on the card catalog. Remember, this is your library; enjoy all it has to offer!

Linda DeRusha

ADULT EDUCATION AT TBT IN NOVEMBER

November will be an active month for adult learning opportunities at TBT. It's time to put that Rosh Hashanah resolution to increase your Jewish learning into practice. In addition to our ongoing Wednesday and Sunday morning programs, we have the following to offer you:

Entering *Mishkan Tefillah* (7:30 p.m.) (Oct. 29, Nov. 5, and 12)
Instructor: Rabbi Alpert

Mishkan Tefillah—the words mean “dwelling place of prayer.” They are also the name of the new Reform prayerbook for every day other than the High Holy Days. We have adopted this

prayerbook here at TBT. Come learn with Rabbi Alpert about how to use this book and what opportunities it might present for the congregation. Don't let the fact that you might have missed the first class stop you.

American Judaism: A Survey of Our History (7:30 p.m.) (Nov. 19, Dec. 3, 10, and 17)

Instructor: Rabbi Alpert

Jews have settled in this country for over 350 years. Come learn about our experience from the time a bedraggled group of refugees landed in New Amsterdam to the present, when we are the most important Diaspora Jewish community the world has ever known. The text for this course will be Jonathan Sarna, *American Judaism*.

The Meaning of Prayer (7:00 p.m.) (Nov. 3 and each following first Monday)

Instructor: Cantor Goldberg

Come and explore a different set of Shabbat and holiday prayers. Each month we will look at a section of prayer, translate the prayers and talk about their purpose in the service. We will also explore musical settings. This course is best for people who are able to read Hebrew letters, though it is not necessary to be able to translate, and it is also accessible for interested learners of all levels. It meets on the first Monday of each month.

Please contact Sandy in the Temple office to register.

“A Taste of Jewish Cuisine and Holiday Crafts” will be held on Sunday, November 2nd, 1:30-4:30 p.m. at the Nathaniel Greene Community Center in Guilford as we treat you and yours to a wonderful afternoon of shopping, noshing and schmoozing. Please join the members of the Shoreline Chapter of Hadassah for some great food and great gifts! Please call Andrea Kaye, 203-506-3567, if you have any questions.

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Please make the following changes to your Temple Directory:

Welcome to the following NEW members:

- Mr. & Mrs. Josef and Cecle Adler, 39 Castle Rock, Branford, CT 06405 (203-481-8481)
 Mr. & Mrs. Mark and Sandee Giovanniello, 74 Hahn Road, Guilford, CT 06437 (457-0051)
 Children: Leah 11/27/95; Victoria 8/26/98
- Dr. Andrew Haims, 152 Windsor Court, Madison, CT 06443 (245-5886)
 Children: Matthew 8/15/01; Tyler 5/23/03
- Ms. Juliette Horton, 68 Ledgeview Lane, Guilford, CT 06437 (203-533-5469)
 Children: Cole 4/10/98; Noah 3/8/01
- Ms. Sharon Moleski, 38 Streamview Circle, Guilford, CT 06437 (458-3411)
 Children: Michael 4/1/05; Maya 3/12/08
- Mr. & Mrs. Dennis and Stacy Reed, 22 Christina Court, Clinton, CT 06413 (860-669-4288)
 Children: Samuel 11/26/02; Matthew 5/25/05; Addison 2/21/08
- Mr. Michael Sheinbaum, 584 Long Hill Road, Guilford, CT 06437 (203-533-5469)
 Children: Gloria 1/13/97; Joanna 1/14/04
- Ms. Jennifer Spaziani, 60 Bradley Corners Road, Madison, CT 06443 (203-779-5533)
 Children: Matthew 11/28/97; Camryn 12/10/99
- Dr. Adam Spivack and Dr. Kathryn Henderson, 333 Weatherly Trail, Guilford, CT 06437 (457-4415)
 Children: Rose Spivack 2/28/07
- Mr. & Mrs. Max and Liza Zapson, 134 Sconset Lane, Guilford, CT 06437 (533-5529)
 Children: Michael Ginsberg 6/27/88; Alexandra Zapson 7/20/2000; Kaitlyn Zapson 11/13/03; Jessica Zapson 11/13/03
- Dr. & Mrs. Jay and Haley Zimmerman, 341 Summer Hill Road, Madison, CT 06443 (779-5333)
 Children: Sammy 10/22/01; Rachel 1/20/04

Members who have RE-JOINED TBT

- Mr. & Mrs. Richard and Faye Cramer, 14 Fence Creek Drive, Madison, CT 06443 (245-1934)
 Ms. Rhoda Hankin, 559 Long Hill Road, Guilford, CT 06437 (453-6601)
 Ms. Lien Lieuwma, 12 Deer Creek Drive, Madison, CT 06443 (245-4211)
 Mr. & Mrs. Russ and Debbie Spector, 25 Cornfield Lane, Madison, CT 06443 (421-5905)
 Children: Joshua 11/15/83; Leah 9/3/86; Seth 5/28/90

Resignations

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| Dr. Richard Alter | Mr. & Mrs. Ed and Linda Pinn |
| Ms. Heidi Conti | Ms. Irene Auerbach & Mr. Philip Schaeffer |
| Mr. & Mrs. Stephen and Clo Davis | Mr. & Mrs. Henri and Nancy Schmeidler |
| Mr. & Mrs. Mark and Mira Kamel | Mr. & Mrs. Peter and Ruby Schrimmer |
| Mr. Charles Lord and Ms. Patti Compton | Mr. & Mrs. Alan and Jill Swimmer |
| Mrs. Viola Ohlbaum | |

Change in Address

- Dr. & Mrs. John and Lili Fogle, 107 Longshore Lane, Madison, CT 06443



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO:

Abby Adelman, Alex Adelman, Allison Aron, Ethan Baser, Amelia Berk, Morgan Corpuel, Gabriel Engler-Zucker, Elvia Fisher, Evan Fleischman, Ilana Fogle, Jace Forbes-Cockell, Leah Friedman, Brianna Friend, Isabelle Geller, Leah Giovanniello, Benjamin Glassman, Joel Glassman, Kara Glassman, Zachary Glassman, Aaron Hirsch, Isabella Kaplan, Jenna Kilman, Charlotte Lee, Sarah Levine, Katelyn MacDougald, Joshua Miller, Abigail Moskow, Samuel Reed, Todd Riccardi, Jesse Siegel, Matthew Spaziani, Josh Spector, Justin Winer, Hannah Young, Jessica Zapson, Kaitlyn Zapson

CONTRIBUTIONS

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

by Dollie F. Gomberg in memory of her beloved mother, Mollie Deitch
 by the Mandel family to wish the entire congregation a healthy and happy New Year
 by Stanley F. Altman in memory of his mother, Gladys Goldberg Altman
 by Carole and Steve Riccardi in memory of Rosemary Riccardi
 by Ellen Bell and family in loving memory of Bob's dear mother, Dorothy Bell

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by Ronni and Steve Berman in memory of Gertrude Meyers, mother of Alan Meyers
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 by Robert and Lisa Kaplan and family in memory of Henry and Rhoda Kaplan

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by Leslie and Stuart Mandel and family in memory of Leslie's Dad, Murray Lewis

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by Phyllis Kaufman in memory of Lil and Joe Bartash
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 by Joan and Joel Marcus in memory of Bennett Epstein

ENDOWMENT FUND

by Beryl Weinstein in memory of Elizabeth Heit
 by Rachel, Sarah, Bruce and Terri Alpert welcoming Miriam Binah Hatton to the world, and may her life bring blessing to us all

by Beryl B. Weinstein in memory of Samuel Arkava
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 by Sam and Rena Powell in honor of the birth of Miriam Binah Hatton
 by Sidney and Ina Berson in memory of George Berson
 by Judith and Charles Barr in honor of Bobbe Grossman's son, Alan D. Grossman, Praecis Professor of Biology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, being elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences

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 by Bob and Phyllis Junghandel in memory of Beryl Junghandel
 by Belle Goldstein in memory of her parents, Anna and Jacob Hagler; her husband, Lewis Goldstein; and her husband's parents, Lizzie and Morris Goldstein
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LIBRARY FUND

by Saul Gordon in memory of his sister, Lillian Gordon

THE YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

by Saul Gordon in memory of his brother, Alexander Gordon

THE NURSERY SCHOOL FUND

by Sarah Blank in memory of her father, Samuel Blank

CONGRATULATIONS

to Rosemary and David Baggish on the birth of their granddaughter, Izzabella Corwin Baggish, August 7, 2008. Parents are Aaron and Sylvia Baggish of Lincoln, MA.

to Sandy and Myron Brand on the birth of their grandson, Elijah Joseph Portnoy, September 28, 2008. Parents are Erica and Ben Portnoy.

to Katie Lybrook and Dan Cornfeld on the birth of their daughter, Miriam Pearl Cornfeld, October 9, 2008

IN MEMORIAM

Bennett Epstein, father of Steve Eppler-Epstein

ONEG SHABBAT

We wish to thank the following members for sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat during October:

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| <u>Oct. 3</u> | the Morduch Toubman family in honor of Dorothy Goldberg for assisting Naomi with chanting Torah |
| <u>Oct. 10</u> | Heide Mueller-Hatton and Joshua and Delma Hatton in joy and celebration of the birth of their newest love, Miriam |
| <u>Oct. 17</u> | the families of the youth participating in the Consecration ceremony |
| <u>Oct. 31</u> | the Aron family in honor of Allison becoming a Bat Mitzvah |

Schedule of Services

Saturday, November 1

9:00 a.m. Torah Study
 10:00 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Allison Aron, daughter of Mark and Andrea Aron
 Torah portion: Noach (Genesis 6:9 – 11:32)
 TAMC, rev. ed., p. 57; TAMC, 1st ed., p. 56; Hertz, p. 26

Friday, November 7

7:30 p.m. New Members' Shabbat (Learners' Service)
 Torah portion: Lech L'cha (Genesis 12:1 – 17:27)
 TAMC, rev. ed., p. 88; TAMC, 1st ed., p. 91; Hertz, p. 45

Saturday, November 8

9:00 a.m. Torah Study
 10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Minyan

Friday, November 14

6:00 p.m. Third Grade Dinner
 7:00 p.m. Family Shabbat service with Grade 3 Siddur Presentation
 Torah portion: Vayeira (Genesis 18:1 – 12:24)
 TAMC, rev. ed., p. 121; TAMC, 1st ed., p. 122; Hertz, p. 63

Saturday, November 15

9:00 a.m. Torah Study

Friday, November 21

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
 Torah portion: Chayei Sarah (Genesis 23:1 – 25:18)
 TAMC, rev. ed., p. 153; TAMC, 1st ed., p. 155; Hertz, p. 80

Saturday, November 22

9:00 a.m. Torah Study
 10:00 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Jennifer Fedus, daughter of Donna Fedus

Tuesday, November 25

7:30 p.m. Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, St. John's Episcopal Church, Guilford

Friday, November 28

6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service
 Torah portion: Tol'dot (Genesis 25:19 – 28:9)
 TAMC, rev. ed., p. 172; TAMC, 1st ed., p. 173; Hertz, p. 93

Saturday, November 29

9:00 a.m. Torah Study




The *Chumash* (Torah Commentary) contains the Hebrew text of the Torah (the first section of the Bible) with vocalization and punctuation. The *Chumashim* we use at TBT also contain English translations and commentaries. In addition, they carry the text of each Hafatarah, a portion from the Prophets (the second section of the Bible). The three *Chumashim* referred to above are:

TAMC, rev. ed. = The Torah: A Modern Commentary, revised edition (2005)

TAMC, 1st ed. = The Torah: A Modern Commentary, 1st edition (W. Gunther Plaut, ed.) (1981)

Hertz = The Pentateuch and Haftorahs (J.H. Hertz, ed.) (1937)



**TEMPLE BETH TIKVAH
SHOFAR**

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