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Introducing Student Rabbi Brent Guttman

Brent Gutmann will be serving as our student rabbi for the 2009-2010 calendar year. He grew up in Dayton, Ohio, just eight hours south of Petoskey on I-75. He is in his second year of rabbinical school at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

Prior to entering rabbinical school, Brent graduated from Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana, with a bachelor's degree in Philosophy, Political Science & Economics, and a minor in Hebrew. He worked for a few years in Chicago in the corporate banking and consulting industries before entering rabbinical school, an aspiration of his since he was 12 years old.

Brent had a very eventful past year. He lived in Jerusalem from July 2008 until May 2009. Immediately upon returning, he was married to his lovely wife Jill, who graduated from Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts. Jill also hopes to be a part of our community as much as possible during the year. She is a health care policy specialist, who is currently pursuing a Masters in Jewish Ethics at Hebrew Union College.

Brent and Jill are so committed to social action they chose to dedicate their honey-moon to teaching Burmese refugees and migrants living in southern Thailand. Brent taught adults and children World Religions and Religious Tolerance while Jill educated them on public health and taught boxing on the side.

We are honored and excited to have this dynamic couple leading our community for the next year. We hope you will come to welcome them as they join our community for the first time for Shabbat Services, 7:00 PM, September 11th.

High Holidays Schedule

September 18, 7 PM – Erev Rosh Hashanah Services

September 19 – Rosh Hashanah

10 AM: Rosh Hashanah Services

1 PM: Tashlikh Observance

September 20, 10 AM: Commence Religious School Program

September 25, 7 PM: Shabbat Shuvah Services

September 27, 10 AM: Religious School

September 27, 8 PM: Kol Nidre Services

September 28 – Yom Kippur

10 AM: Morning Services

3 PM: Afternoon Services

4:30 PM: Yizkor Services

6 PM: Break-the-Fast in the Social Hall

Break-the-Fast

Join us for Break-the-Fast Dinner in our Social Hall at the Temple. Julienne Tomatoes of Petoskey will cater the event. Please call Gail Willens, 231-548-1412, by Wednesday, September 23 to make your reservation. If leaving a message, please give family name and number of people attending. The cost is \$15 for adults, \$5 for children twelve and under and no charge for children under four. As always, no one will be denied the opportunity to break the fast if they can not afford tickets.

Apple & Cheese Kugel

Ingredients:

- 1 lb wide egg noodles
- 4 T butter or marg.
- 2 cup applesauce
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 cup cottage cheese
- 4 eggs, slightly beaten
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 1/2 t cinnamon
- 3/4 cup golden raisins

Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 4 quart baking dish.
- 2. Toss cooked noodles with butter and then stir in applesauce.
- 3. Add remaining ingredients, mix well and transfer mixture to prepared dish.
- 4. Bake for 45 to 50 minutes until golden and crusty.

Mark Your Calendar

Oct. 3, 1:30 PM – Just a Plain Farm

Oct. 4, 11 AM - Sukkah Decorating

Oct. 4, Noon – Sukkot Party & Potluck

Oct. 9, 5:30 PM - Tot Shabbat

Oct. 9, 7 PM - Shabbat Services

Oct. 11, 10 AM - Religious School

Oct. 25, 10 AM - Religious School

September Events

Sept. 11, 7:00 PM – Shabbat Services

Sept. 14, 7:00 PM – Temple Board Meeting

Sept. 18, 7:00 PM – Erev Rosh Hashanah Services

Sept. 19, 10:00 AM – Rosh Hashanah Services

Sept. 19, 1:00 PM – **Tashlikh Observance** at Mineral Well Park

Sept. 20, 10:00 AM – Religious School

Sept. 25, 7:00 PM – Shabbat Shuvah Services

Sept. 27, 10:00 AM – Religious School

Sept. 27, 8:00 PM - Kol Nidre

Sept. 28, 10:00 AM – Yom Kippur morning

Sept. 28, 3:00 PM – Yom Kippur afternoon

Sept. 28, 4:30 PM – Yizkor (Memorial) Service

Sept. 28, 6:00 PM – Break the Fast

Days of Awe: A Charge of Tikkun Olam

High Holidays are a time of personal reflection. As we stand again on the threshold of the New Year, we are asked to recognize our partnership with God and commit ourselves to tikkun olam - repairing our world. Our charge during this time is to remember our covenant and perform acts of right-eousness by fulfilling the words of Isaiah "unlock the fetters of wickedness...let the oppressed go free...share your bread with the hungry, and take the wretched poor into your home" (Isaiah 58: 6-8).

The ten days that fall between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are known as the Aseret Yamei T'shuvah.. These Ten Days of Repentance provide us with the perfect opportunity to reflect on how we want to improve ourselves, including acting on social justice themes we're reminded of during observation:

<u>Hunger</u>--we fast out of choice, but there are others in the world who go hungry not by their own choosing.

<u>Environment</u>--Rosh Hashanah marks the creation of the world.

<u>Judicial System</u>--Days of Repentance are devoted to contemplation of our sins-moments when we "missed the mark" - and repentance for our bad actions. As a society, we must learn to balance the attributes of justice and mercy.

Donations Received

Other Donations

 Berta Molasky – Two beautiful wingback chairs for the social hall library

General Fund

- Maxine and Charles Shapiro
- Howard and Meredith Goldberg
- Dr. Lawrence Sherman
- Rabbi Sanford Kopnick and Nancy Magnus
- Lynda Simon
- Janet Berman
- Tom Johnson & Valerie Meyerson
- Mike and Rita Lindemann

Newsletter Fund

- Sally and Martin Mayer for a very special Happy Birthday to a very special lady – Rosalyn Goldstick
- Ruth and Jim Grey In Honor of the 90th Birthday of Rosalyn Goldstick
- Rosanne and Gus Paz In Honor of the 90th Birthday of Rosalyn Goldstick
- Rosanne and Gus Paz In Honor of Rosalyn Goldstick's Recovery
- Rosanne and Gus Paz In Memory of Marvin Molasky

Summer Cantor Series

Berta and Marvin Molasky

Lee & Miles Jaffe Memorial Fund

 Berta and Marvin Molasky – In honor of Barbara Mayer, Recipient of the NCJW-GD's Volunteer of the Year award.

Thanks!

Next time you are in the Social Hall—take a look at two new additions. Have a seat and relax while browsing the bookshelves in one of the new wingback chairs donated by Berta Molasky. Thank you Berta.

Challahs Available

Simply Challah, by Emma Hindle, is offering freshly baked challah to people living in the Charlevoix and Petoskey area. Challah's are baked fresh to order and are made of all natural wholesome ingredients. They have been taste-tested by the Temple Board and are rated as absolutely delicious. Orders need to be placed by Wednesday of each week, to be delivered on Fridays. Petoskey orders can be picked up at the Temple after 4:00 pm and Charlevoix orders should contact Emma for delivery details.

Traditional Challah – 5.00 w/Sesame Seed – \$5.00 w/Garlic Salt – \$5.00 w/Everything – \$5.50



To place your order call: 231-622-1044.



Mi Sheberach is in our hearts for Rosalyn's health and strength to return. We look forward to seeing you over the holidays, Rosalyn!

Funds/Named Donations Available

□ Temple General Fund □ Newsletter Fund □ Prayer Book Fund □ Capital Campaign/Building Fund □ □ Irene Gordon Memorial Fund □ Lee and Miles Jaffe Memorial Fund □ Religious Education Fund □ □ Stacy McCracken Memorial Youth Enrichment Fund □ Alvin's "Helping Hand" Rosenhaus Memorial Fund □ □ Tree of Life Fund (Leaves \$100 Each, Stones \$1000 each) □ Aubrey and Gerald Meyerson Perpetual Kaddish Fund □ □ Donor Wall Tile Fund (Tiles \$48 each plus freight) □ Tribute Fund (packets of 5 tributes available for \$90/pack) □

Obituaries

Phyllis M. Kollin

Temple B'nai Israel mourns Phyllis M. Kollin, 85, who died Friday, July 31, 2009, in Wooster, Ohio. Phyllis was born October 10, 1923 in Boyne City, MI., the daughter of Alexander and Bessie (Goldstick) Heller.



Phyllis was preceded in death by her loving husband of 45 years, Arthur Kollin and brothers, Seymour and Godfrey Heller.

Phyllis was a graduate of Boyne City High School and the University of Michigan. She lived 60 years in Michigan, 20 years in Boca Raton, FL, and the last 6 years in Wooster, OH. Surviving are children, Beth (Roger) Mulder of Dexter, MI, Dennis (Linda) Kollin of Oxford, MI, Adam (Lucy) Kollin of Troy, MI, and Ruth (Leonard) Kaplan of Wooster, OH; and 11 grandchildren. Phyllis was an avid golfer, card player - especially duplicate bridge, and skier back in the day. She was a wonderful mother, wife, grandmother and friend to all who knew her.



Condolences to the families—our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteering is a great way to help the Temple community! If you have a service you feel may be useful for the congregation, for example, trimming the hedges, lawn mowing, or snow removal, please contact Tom Johnson at 231-487-1661.

Marvin Lee Molasky

Marvin Lee Molasky, 81, of Charlevoix MI and formerly of West Bloomfield, MI, died peacefully August 8th, 2009 in Charlevoix.



Marvin was born November 19, 1927 in St. Louis, MO, the son of Stanley and Sayde (Zucker) Molasky. He

grew up in Clayton, MO and attended the University of Illinois at Urbana, later transferring to the Washington University of St. Louis, and graduating with a degree in Business.

Marvin married his first wife, Nancy Shucart, in 1948 and then was drafted into the Marine Corps in 1952. They moved to western Michigan where Marvin ran Fleishman Pickle Company. Marvin & Nancy settled in West Bloomfield where Marvin worked as a Senior Vice-President for Merrill Lynch for 26 years. Nancy preceded Marvin in death in 1987.

Marvin married Berta (Tauber) Meyerson in 1990. They lived in Birmingham then West Bloomfield for a number of years, before settling in Charlevoix. Marvin was an active member of the Charlevoix Kiwanis, Washington University Alumni Association, the Marine Corps League and Temple B'nai Israel in Petoskey. He was an avid traveler and bridge player. He enjoyed reading, business and especially baseball. His favorite teams were the St Louis Cardinals and the Detroit Tigers and was especially perplexed as to whom he should root for in the 2006 World Series.

Marvin is survived by his spouse Berta Molasky, his sister Doris Fishman of Missouri, Diane Molasky of Florida, his brother-in-law Joel Tauber, his four step-children: Benjamin and Nicole (Dewey) Meyerson, Valerie Meyerson and Thomas Johnson, Joshua and Mary Jean (Mund) Meyerson and Emily Meyerson and Harry Kitchen of Petoskey, and five grandchildren: Amanda Kitchen, Jeremiah & Anne Johnson and Max & Gabriel Meyerson of Petoskey.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be directed to the Kiwanis Club of Charlevoix, PO Box 275, Charlevoix MI 49720 or a charity of your choice.



"A bird that you set free may be caught again, but a word that escapes your lips will not return." -Jewish Proverb-

Religious School

Welcome back to all our parents and students. We are looking forward to another wonderful year for our religious school program. This year we have three class rooms: Bet (Gabe Meyerson, Kylie Mann,), Gimel (Julia Smith, Max Page, Andrew McNamara, Anne Johnson, & Asa Gold) and Dalet (Ian Shumway & Max Meyerson). The Bet children will be studying Bible stories; the Gimel students will be studying Jewish history; and the Dalet students will be learning about Jewish life cycles and holidays. All three age groups will also have a class in Hebrew. This year we also have one student studying for his Bar Mitzvah, Jeremiah Johnson.

We have many volunteer teachers who help provide an enriching program of study for our students: Lori Schulman teaches Hebrew, Elisa Seltzer teaches Hebrew and B'Nai Mitzvah prep., Val Meyerson teaches holidays and life cycles, and Tom Johnson teaches Bible stories and Jewish history. Many thanks to their time and effort to make our program beloved by our students.

We are looking forward to the next wave of Aleph students. Next year we are anticipating a new young class of about five students. This year our preschool children can look forward to tot Shabbat programs and lots of holiday celebrations!

Growing Jewish Families

Nancy Dwan, Coordinator: 348-9148

All three "threads" of the Growing Jewish Family programming are weaving together and strengthening our Jewish connections: **Tot Thread, Teen Thread, Rosh Chodesh Thread for Women.** Growing Jewish Family programming will continue soon — watch the next newsletters for updates. If you would like to receive email invitations to the events, please email Val at: meyerson_954@charter.net.

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Some suggestions of activities to bring these themes into this season include:

- Volunteer at a local food bank, e.g., Manna Project or Brother Dan's Food Pantry or the Friendship Center's Meals on Wheels.
- Help prepare the grocery bags to be distributed for the High Holiday Food Drive
- Volunteer to clean-up litter in our recreational parks and waters.
- Recycle in your home, office and synagogue or start a compost pile.
- Calculate your carbon footprint or home energy consumption.
- Make a donation to an environmental cause.
- •Send Rosh Hashanah cards to Jewish prisoners or become a pen pal through Jewish Prisoner Services.
- Read some key prayers and readings in machzor related to themes of justice, repentance and forgiveness, such as Untenabe Tokef and Al Chayt. Use these texts to reflect upon and discuss these key concepts as they relate to the criminal justice system.

The High Holidays are a special time of obsevance with friends, family and our Temple community. I hope you will make it meaningful and that these suggestions add to the richness of your celebration.

For more information on how to bring the holidays closer to home visit www.rac.org (click on Holiday Guides) or www.coejl.org.

L'Shana Tova, Pam Ovshinsky



Sukkot Celebration

Mark your calender! The annual visit to "Just a Plain Farm" is scheduled for Saturday, October 3rd. This annual event is always a winner. We meet at the farm at 2:00 PM, enjoy a hay ride to the pumpkin patch where we select a pumpkin, stop at the gourd patch to pick buckets of gourds, then head back to the barn for cider and donuts. There are also corn mazes to puzzle through and lots of apples and squash to buy. We then use the gourds to decorate our Sukkah the next day at the Sukkot celebration. Watch your email for the full details and prices.



September 2009 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Labor Day	8	9	10	7 PM: Shabbat Services	12
13	7 PM: Temple Board Meeting	15	16	17	18 7 PM: Erev Rosh Hashanah Services	19 10 AM: Rosh Hasha- nah Services 1 PM: Tashlikh
20 10 AM: Religious School	21	22	23	24	25 7 PM: Shabbat Services	26
27 10 AM: Religious School 8 PM: Kol Nidre	28 10 AM: Yom Kip- pur Services Begin 6 PM: Break – Fast	29	30	1	2	3 2 PM: Just a Plain Farm

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