



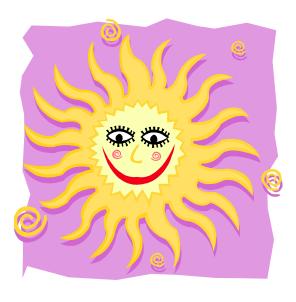
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SUMMER 2014



This is the combined June/July issue of Shalom News. Many of you will be traveling this Summer, and we wish you a safe trip and a safe return. Have a wonderful time! If you are staying in this area, we hope to see you often.

Typically the summer issue does not have a calendar of events but this year, since there is so much going on, you will find calendars for June and July on pages 18 and 19 respectively. Please watch your email or check out the calendar on our JCSCC.org website for updates and additions, or pay close attention to the announcements at Shabbat services.



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FROM THE RABBI'S DESK



Rabbi Carla Freedman

When you read this, Shavuot will be at hand...it begins Tuesday, June 3 at sunset, and our Shavuot service on Thursday, June 5, the second day of the festival will also include a Yizkor (Memorial) Service.

Shavuot is a sacred occasion mandated by the Torah in a number of locations (Ex. 34:22; Ex. 23:16; Deut. 16:10-12). It is mentioned as one of the three Pilgrimage Festivals (Pesakh and Sukkot being the other two) for which all adult male Jews were required to present themselves, with offerings for God, at the Temple in Jerusalem. All of these occasions were probably originally

Canaanite harvest celebrations (barley is harvested in the early spring, wheat in the late spring, and other produce in the fall) which the Israelites adopted and adapted to their own purposes by connecting them to the narrative of the exodus from Egypt, the foundational event of the Judaism. Thus, the agricultural aspect of Pesakh has been completely submerged by the liberation story while Sukkot, which does refer to the huts/booths that our ancestors dwelt in on their trek from Egypt to Canaan, also refers to the huts they later built in their fields for the harvest season.

Shavuot, on the other hand, is in effect the climax of the liberation narrative, since it celebrates the giving of the Torah at Sinai. It closes the bracket of the seven weeks between the exodus and the revelation, indicating that Pesakh celebrates the *redemption* of the Israelites from slavery and Shavuot celebrates the *purpose* of that liberation, namely to bring God's laws and high moral standards into the world.

It was customary in ancient times, to bring the first fruits of the harvest to the temple, and later the practice became the bringing of flowers to decorate the synagogue with the signs of spring. As with Pesakh, today the agricultural aspect of Shavuot is hidden beneath the theological framing of the festival.

The rabbis of old taught that our ancestors arrived at Mt Sinai after seven weeks of travelling from Egypt. They used various sources within the Torah itself (the exodus narrative in Exodus, and the itinerary given in Numbers 33) to plot that journey, though today scholars offer various interpretations of the route taken and the location of Mt Sinai itself (in the original Plaut *Torah, A Modern Commentary*, on page 378, there is a map with 4 different routes and 8 different possible locations of Mt Sinai!). What all the options agree upon is that some transformative event took place at Sinai.

That event is celebrated as the occasion when God revealed the Torah to the Israelites, via Moses. The Torah itself tells us that Moses received the Ten Commandments there, but Jewish tradition has always referred to the event as *z'man matan torateynu*, the time of the giving of our Torah. Today, many scholars of all faiths would argue that the Torah (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy) is a skillfully edited document made from at least four different source materials, each with its own agenda and identifying characteristics, to which neither God nor Moses made any contribution. The scholars also consider the Torah a much more recently completed document than the "Torah at Sinai" theory would allow (scholars date the Sinai event to around 1250 BCE, while the "human authorship" theory would date its completion to around 450 BCE).

Regardless of such a contention, it is indisputable that the Torah has been the guiding light of the Jewish people for millennia. Just look at the immense collection of commentaries on the Torah, dating back to the earliest of the rabbis (nearly 2000 years ago!), and you can see how this book, of whatever provenance, has been used to sharpen the Jewish intellect throughout our history.

Shavuot is celebrated in a couple of ways. Aside from the obligatory worship service (ours will be on June 5 at 10:00 am), there is the custom of serious study the night before, called *tikkun lel Shavuot*, a correction of the eve of Shavuot (because legend has it that the Israelites were so deeply asleep the night before the Torah was given that they had to be awakened with the rumbling of the mountain and the sound of the shofar...so we stay up all night...or at least some Jews do...to make up for that). We will gather on **Wednesday**, **June 4 at 8 pm for a short study session**....we'll read the first and last verses of each book of the Torah.

It is also the custom to eat only dairy food on Shavuot, because when the Israelites received the Torah, that included the dietary laws, and when they came home after the event at Sinai, they had no meat that would now qualify as acceptable (yes...that *IS* the reason for eating only dairy on Shavuot). **So on Wednesday evening, we'll enjoy ice cream sun-daes as we study Torah!!**

Please join us for these two observances of Shavuot.....Wednesday evening, June 4 and Thursday morning, June 5.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ELLEN STEIN

He was gentle, courageous, steadfast, and a dynamo when something needed to be done. As devoted a temple member as ever there was, as true to his God as a man could be, this was the Richard Axinn I knew. Hard to get to know but once you discovered the gentle human being he truly was, you had an ally forever. One didn't always agree with his viewpoint but that didn't dissuade him from what he believed in. Conscientious and conservative were his watchwords, sometimes to a fault, but stick to his guns he would, like it or not. Many times I would stop by the office to pick up mail or phone messages and there he would be working at something or other. Impossible to replace, the love he bore for both Beth Israel and his own family were apparent. It was palpable. Thanks to all who joined in the service to say good-bye to him, so ably led by Rabbi Carla. Richard will be sorely missed.

On another subject, Aretha sang about it in her song. We were all taught by our mothers to have it. Our schoolteachers demanded it, whether we liked it or not. The word is "RESPECT", one of the most precious and intangible tributes one can receive. It is one of those coveted human qualities you can't buy, borrow or steal - it must be earned.

But what about respect for intangible objects? How does this compare with our demeanor at Beth Israel? Do we feel it as we walk through the entrance doors? Do we approach and touch the cover to our beloved *Torah* with it? Do we keep it in mind for those nearby as we recite the familiar prayers during services? Are we dressed appropriately for entry into sacred space? Aside from passing remarks by Rabbi Carla, we never really have touched on these matters. However, you must know by now that in some way a dress code already exists. So, the first thing upon which we must agree is that when we enter Beth Israel (or any other place of worship), we step into special space, sacred ground, including and especially on *Shabbat*. As the *Torah* is being processed through the Sanctuary, are we not expected to respectfully follow it with our eyes and bodies? This is not a moment for social chitchat. Are we not expected to acknowledge in song the passing by of our most revered object? As we recite the weekly service, are we disturbing the people around us with whispered chatter? Do not deceive yourself. Someone within earshot may be annoyed by your disrespectful intrusion. A-a-a-nd, our Sabbath Queen is probably not intrigued when we choose to tread on sacred ground in our cut-off pants. One assumes that when entering a synagogue, it is with reverence, after selecting clothes honoring the occasion and place. If a chord has been struck, so be it!

Oh where, oh where have our *Mishkan Tefilah* prayer books gone! If you have borrowed one with the intention of returning it, please do so as soon as possible or, in the alternative, a \$25 donation for each book would be acceptable. If you know of their whereabouts, please help them find their way back to Beth Israel.

With the untimely departure of our beloved Eveready battery, Richard Axinn, a new Facilities committee is now in place consisting of Bernie Katz, Ken Rodman, BobWhiteman, and Gil Daniels, with Dick Marshall heading up the committee and several unnamed members on call. For any problem at Beth Israel of which you become aware, call Dick Marshall on his cell phone and he will contact the proper person to deal with it. We wish them all luck in their endeavor.

Happy Summer to all. Until we meet again, Ellen

PROGRAMS AT BETH ISRAEL CHERYL KAPLAN, PROGRAM DIRECTOR (813) 633-3188 Iquit2010@yahoo.com

On June 22, 2014 at 3:00 pm, we will be showing a film, **Paper Clips**, which is a wonderful film that began as a lesson about prejudice, but turned into something totally different and heartwarming. The film was loaned to us by Laura Reuterfors and I want to thank her for her generosity. There will be popcorn and soda served and the admission fee will be \$2.00 per person. Please plan on coming and enjoying a wonderful film.

Trivia Night will be once again enjoyed by many at Beth Israel on July 12, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the social hall at the temple. The trivia will be of the Baby Boomer Generation! Even though you may not be a true baby boomer, you must have lived through that era, so this is going to be a fun night for all who attend. Start getting your teams of 8 together and watch for my email flyer coming out in June concerning this program.

If you have ideas or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT Shelly Grossman & Sheila Rubinstein Co-Directors

On May 4 we had a wonderful Dairy Pot Luck Shabbat Dinner. All of the people who attended went into services very happy and with full stomachs. Thank you again to all our talented cooks!

SAVE THE DATE!!! Our next function will be on Friday, August 15 - a Summer Salad Shabbat Dinner catered by Sweet Tomatoes. This has always been well attended and delicious. Further information will be coming soon. Please look for it.

We both wish you a good summer and safe and happy travels

Beth Israel Library News

June, 2014

Library Update:

Check out the new shelf layout and check out something for summer reading. If you can't find the category you're looking for, check out the diagram on the bulletin board.

Your donations of books, media and ritual items are always welcomed. Leave donations at the library or in the genizah box in the foyer. Anything the library cannot use is recycled. In May 6 books were given to SouthShore Friends of the Library. In addition, over 60 books and records went to the Norman Jewish Library in Tampa along with 50 genizah prayerbooks and ritual items for burial.

Next Library Committee Meeting

Monday, June 16, 2014, 10 - 12

"Fill the Void" - 2012 release from Israel; 90 min. DVD. An intimate look into the world of Israel's ultra-Orthodox Hasidic community. Totten Tomatoes says "this film is graceful, complex, and beautifully layered, a sympathetic portrait of an insulated culture by exploring universal themes." And by the way it won seven <u>Israeli Academy</u> Awards at the Venice Film Festival.

Contributions to the Library Fund

<u>Condolences, In memory of Richard Axinn</u> - From Kathleen and Douglas Salmon, Bernie and Arlene Cohen

Happy Birthday and Anniversary to Nelson and Ida Grimm - From Bob and Cyrille Cobe

Happy Birthday to Wilma Levine, Robert Guzinsky, Maggi Guzinsky, Ellen Stein - From Bernie and Arlene Cohen

Happy Anniversary to Bob and Tzippy Whiteman, Larry and John Cohen - From Bernie and Arlene Cohen

Mazel Tov on Reaffirmation of Marriage to Simone and Ralph Shaw - From Bob and Cyrille Cobe

Your thoughtful contributions enhance our library for seniors. To make a contribution please send checks made out to Beth Israel Sisterhood to Arene Cohen, 24t1 Kensington Greens Drive, SCC, FL 33573. Suggested minimum \$5.00.

Thanks for supporting our library! Cytille Cobe

RITUAL DIRECTOR FRED LEVINE ritual@jcscc.org



As I wrote in the May issue of Shalom News, the Ritual Committee has been very busy planning for the High Holy Days with some really exciting results.

First: We will be having Cantor Riselle Bain as our cantor for the High Holy Days. For those of you who are not familiar with Cantor Bain, she was the Cantor at Congregation Shaarei Tzedek in Tampa for many years. She has also has been at our Temple to conduct a service.

We did formalize the schedule of services to be held during the High Holy days and they will be sent out to the congregation later in the summer.

The CPPC committee is in the process of upgrading our visual / audio schematics in the social hall for overflow seating during the holidays. New large screen HDTV's and a new camera are in the process of being obtained and installed.

Additional information regarding the Erev Rosh Hashanah dinner and the Break the Fast meal will be forthcoming. We are awaiting final contract numbers from the caterers for pricing and times.

The festival of Shavuot starts on Tuesday evening, June 3rd. On Wednesday evening, June 4th, from 8 PM to 9 PM, we will be having a "Sundae – Shavuot – Wednesday", Giving of the Torah teaching and learning session with Rabbi Freedman, along with a "Make Your Own Sundae" dessert session. Reservations for this event are a must – since we must know how many are attending and to purchase enough ice cream and toppings. Reservations must be made by Sunday, June 1st by emailing Fred Levine at <u>flevine@tampabay.rr.com</u> or by calling 813 672 7656. You don't want to miss out on all of the fun, learning and desserts.

Shavuot commemorates the anniversary of the day <u>G-d</u> gave the <u>Torah</u> to the entire nation of Israel assembled at <u>Mount Sinai</u>, although the association between the giving of the Torah (<u>Matan Torah</u>) and Shavuot is not explicit in the Biblical text. The holiday is one of the <u>Shalosh Regalim</u>, the three Biblical pilgrimage festivals. It marks the conclusion of the <u>Counting of the Omer</u>, and its date is directly linked to that of <u>Passover</u>. The <u>Torah</u> mandates the seven-week Counting of the Omer, beginning on the second day of Passover, to be immediately followed by Shavuot. This counting of days and weeks is understood to express anticipation and desire for the giving of the Torah. On Passover, the people of Israel were freed from their enslavement to <u>Pharaoh</u>; on Shavuot they were given the Torah and became a nation committed to serving G-d. The word Shavuot means weeks, and the festival of Shavuot marks the completion of the seven-week counting period between Passover and Shavuot.

REMEMBRANCE GIFTS

If you are thinking of a way to remember a loved one, don't forget our Memorial plaques or Bricks at the Meditation Garden. Call the office at 634-2590 and leave a message.

The cost of each of these items is as follows:

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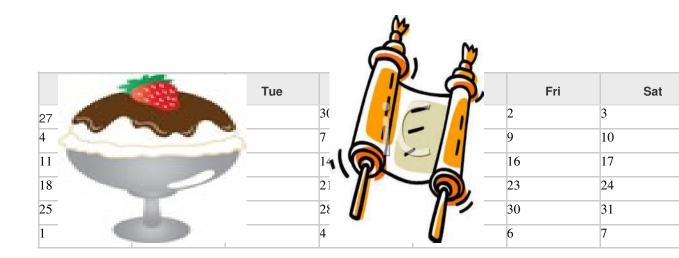
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Spotlight on Sisterhood



SANDRA HURWITZ, SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT

Previously I wrote about heroic women of the Bible. I give you another example of a woman's role in our history. She was Noah's wife and is not named in the Bible, but she still played an important role in Jewish History. (The following information is from womeninthebible.net) This is the story of a woman with extraordinary patience, and extraordinary love for her husband. How else to explain the fact that she went along with a task that was preposterous, to say the least? Noah may have been nominal head of the family, but he could only have achieved what he did with the support of his family - and the leader of this family was his wife.

Noah was given specific instructions on how to build a gigantic boat, the Ark. Speed and destination were completely in the hands of God.

This is where the wife of Noah first appears. Somehow she was able to accept that this strange, crazy plan of her husband's was genuine <u>and</u> feasible. She must have been a woman of patience and vision, backing up her husband and convincing her sons and daughters-in-law to do the same.

Once the flood was over the four women of Noah's family faced a desolate world. Everything was destroyed. There was no home to return to, no neighbors to share the grief, no familiar customs to observe. The desolate world had to start again from scratch, and the hardship these women faced must have been extreme. Had they given in, succumbed to the disaster and refused to go on, God's plan would not have succeeded.

The main theme of this story is to trust in God, no matter what comes. God is watching and looking after you, even when it seems as if you are alone. Look after the earth. If we don't, Nature will be unleashed against us. If we are irresponsible and live only for today, we will be wiped out. Even one person or one family can make a difference. Never think you are unimportant in God's plan.



AT LEFT: Judaica Shop donates to Sisterhood. Sandra Hurwitz accepts a check from Sandra Abramson.

PICTURES FROM SISTERHOOD'S CLOSING LUN CHEON, MAY 6



Sisterhoods's newest members, Fran Pine and Barbara Nova



Sandra Hurwitz thanks Board Members Barbara Grossman, Nina Malinak and Rochelle Lafer



Sandra Hurwitz with new Board Members, Debbie Boyarsky, Barbara Grossman and Rochelle Lafer





WAYS AND MEANS

CAROL BALENT, DIRECTOR

SAVE THE DATE! DATE: August 30, 2014 LOCATION: Community Hall, Sun City Ctr. Further information coming soon...

SUPPORT BETH ISRAEL

It is through the generous contributions of our congregational family that Beth Israel is able to maintain our programs and nurture the spiritual lives of our members. The ways & means committee needs your additional support because dues only cover a small percentage of running our Temple. Please assist in any way you are able to make the financial needs of our Temple easier to achieve.

Please continue the donation of "NEW" item/items that you have at home and will never have use for. Please leave your items in the Temple office marked Carol Balent. Also, add your name with your item so you can be thanked appropriately.

If you are going to be in town, attend our event; sell tickets to your neighbors and friends. Share in on the excitement so our fundraiser will be hugely successful.

Please help to support your temple and lend a helping hand.

In order to keep dues down WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT! We also need volunteers to work at our event. An email list for be sent out before long. THANKS SO MUCH, CAROL BALENT

JUNE AND JULY ANNIVERSARIES

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CONDOLENCES

Richard Axinn passed away on April 30, 2014, the result of a traffic accident.

Elayne Grossman passed away on May 8, after a long battle with pancreatic cancer.

They will be sadly missed

May both their memories be a blessing





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<u>ASK THE RABBI</u>

Question: Are rabbis bound by confidentiality?



Answer: Yes! Rabbis are, from Judaism's perspective, not technically "clergy" but are subject to all the rules and regulations that apply to clergy in this country (in other faiths, "clergy" acquire special powers and authorities through ordination; in Judaism that is not the case).

Clearly one of those rules is that clergy are expected to preserve the confidences of those who speak to them as "pastors" (shepherds). Thus, anyone who talks with a rabbi in private, and discloses something about him/herself, can expect that privacy to be preserved.

There is only one generally accepted exception to this, and that is when a clergyperson becomes aware of child abuse, either actual or potential; then the clergyperson has a legal obligation...as do teachers... to report this to the appropriate authorities.

I have always taken seriously the matter of congregant (or anyone's, really) confidentiality. I do not disclose to anyone what is told to me in confidence, and I do not even reveal that any given person has spoken with me, whether in confidence or not.

Here, that is made easier than in other places I have worked, because there are many times when no one else is in the building, so a person can meet with me in absolute privacy. To preserve privacy, I have met with congregants or others in places far removed from the temple or where temple members are unlikely to go.

So you can rest assured that if you choose to speak with me in confidence, I will protect your privacy and confidence absolutely.

A NOTE TO THE CONGREGATION

FROM DELYSE AXINN

I hardly know how to begin to thank the wonderful, beautiful members of Beth Israel for the outpouring of love and support that you showed my family and me after the tragic accident that took the life of my husband Richard.

The number of people who attended the funeral was overwhelming, and then many of you drove down to the National Cemetery in Sarasota also. Thank you to all of you who attended the shiva services and to all who set up the refreshments following the services.

Thank you for the cards, the visits, the food, the phone calls, the hugs. Thank you for the words of condolence when there simply weren't any words that would suffice. Thank you for the many contributions to Beth Israel in Richard's memory. Thank you for the trees that were planted in Israel in his memory.

I received so much help from so many people, that I can't possible list them all. You know who you are!

Richard's love of God and of Beth Israel were so strong that I believe I will always feel his presence in the temple's sanctuary.

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As of May 14, 2014

Reported by Elizabeth Jacobs, Treasurer, and Paul Grossman, Financial Secretary

We appreciate the thoughtfulness of those who remember and honor their friends and loved ones through their generous contributions.

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MEN'S CLUB REPORT

Paul Grossman, President

Last month, in Shalom News, Neil Raphael, our Executive Vice President, wrote the following:



"The Club needs 5 volunteers to form a committee that will present nominations for the 3 Director positions that will become vacant at the end of this year. Elections for these positions will take place at the November annual Meeting. If you want to be part of this important proc-

ess of selecting the nominees please contact Neil Raphael, Executive VP, at <u>raphaelneil@aol.com</u> who will chair this committee." So, again, if you have an interest in serving on this committee AND / OR if you have an interest in serving as a Director, please contact Neil soon.

I'm sure that the forty-two attendees at the Rays game, on May 21st, had a wonderful time. However, it was disappointing that we were unable to sell out the bus. At the Director's initial program planning meeting, we were not disheartened and will be exploring ways to make this type of event more appealing in the upcoming program year.

In the upcoming months, we will be sharing with you, our 2014-2015 program calendar. But here is one date, you may want to pencil in now, on <u>your</u> calendar.

Sunday, October 26th, at 10:30 AM – Bagels & Discovery

Our featured speaker will be Dr. Susan McManus, Professor of Political Science, at USF. In this election year, we will look forward to her view of the political landscape.

Stay tuned for more specific information and RSVP details.

JUNE and JULY YAHRZEITS

Yahrzeits are read at the Shabbat Service on the date listed which includes the yahrzeits for the following week-Friday through Thursday.

June 6, 2014

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June 13, 2014

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June 20, 2014

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June 27, 2014

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Please check the Oneg Shabbat list on the bulletin board and sign up to celebrate your special occasion. If you want information about sponsoring an Oneg, please contact the chairperson.

The committee is willing to shop only for those members who are physically unable to shop for themselves. Thanks for your participation. Also, if you have just signed up, please call the chairperson to confirm the date.

- Jun 6 Linda & James Mumford, their anniversary and Linda's birthday
- Jun 13- Larry & Lynnette Martasin, their 60th anniversary
- Jun 20- Sandy & Andy Cohen, their 61st anniversary
- June 27-Dick Kravitz & Helen McAnninch, their 6th anniversary
- Jul 4 Nina Malinak, her grandnephew's birthday
- Jul II Mark & Ronni Neckes, their 49th anniversary

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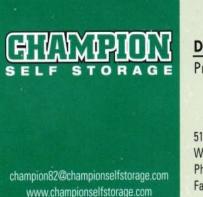
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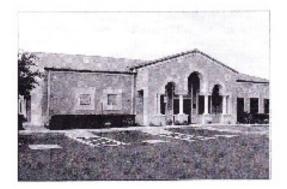
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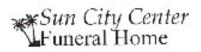
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So nu? You got some spare time. Give some to Beth Israel.

You have been reading all about the officers of the Temple; now let's look at the Director's jobs. These are the people who support the officers, create the programs, assist the Rabbi, and make your Temple your home away from home. See if you can identify with one of these jobs and then volunteer to lead.

Communications Director: The Communications Director shall coordinate all communications of the Congregation including Shalom News, Publicity, Telephone, Historian & Membership Directory. As Communication Director, you are responsible to attend monthly board meetings and to serve on the bimah as board representative 3 times a year.

Facilities and Maintenance Director: The Director is responsible for the building and physical assets of the Congregation. He/she is responsible for purchasing supplies when necessary, responsible for minor repairs and maintenance throughout the building and for arranging inspections when necessary by outside groups. Facilities/Maintenance Director you are responsible to attend monthly board meetings and to serve on the bimah as board representative 3 times a year.

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Program Director: The Director coordinates all programming for the Congregation (social, intellectual, spiritual). He/she works closely with the Rabbi to get ideas and implement them. He/she is responsible for our Annual Seder, Rosh Hashanah dinner and the Yom Kippur break fast. The programs are self funding, so you charge for each program accordingly. As Program Director, you are responsible to attend monthly board meetings and to serve on the bimah as board representative 3 times a year.

Ritual Director: The Director, with the Rabbi of Beth Israel, coordinates services for Shabbat evening and morning, High Holidays, and other Festivals. He/she arranges for a Gabbi to assist the Rabbi when Torah is being read; prepares/arranges for Hebrew and English Torah reading handouts. He/she manages the bima duty list of board members making sure honors have been assigned to congregants. As Ritual Director, you are responsible to attend monthly board meetings and to serve on the bimah as board representative 3 times a year.

2014 Book of Remembrance

The High Holidays will be upon us in the fall and it is time to think about the 2014 Book of Remembrance to be used in the Yom Kippur Yizkor and other services. In an attempt to save money we will be trying to do as much as possible via e-mail which will reduce postage charges. We must have your information by the second week in September in order to get the completed book to the printer in time to be ready for Yom Kippur in October.

We will be using the Congregation e-mail. Members who are unfamiliar with the Book of Remembrance or need to review their information are encouraged to look at last year's book which can be found at http://www.jcscc.org/images/stories/pdfs/Book_of_Remembrance_2013.pdf

or the copy on the Temple bulletin board.

Members can send the information to us via e-mail at BethIsrael@RMarshal.net. If you wish to repeat the information that was in the 2013 Book of Remembrance, just put "Same as last year" in your e-mail. **If you have changes please send only the changes.** Please send your check to the address below.

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