



The Menorah

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Notes from the Rabbi: Ethan Seidel Thinking about the Charleston Massacre

As I write these words just over a week after the murders at the Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, SC, many thoughts go through my head. I think about America's struggles with racism, and our inability to regulate guns sanely.

I also worry about how the easy availability of guns combines with the proliferation in our culture of young alienated men, seething with hatred. And that reminds me of America's need to put more cultural energy into issues of mental health. And then again I think of the pain and loss felt by that church's community – I cannot imagine their suffering.

I also worry about security here. Our current threat level at TI is not particularly high, but I cannot help but worry. As America tries to prevent US citizens from

going to Syria to join ISIS, I worry that the radicalized elements of our society will turn to "enemies" closer to home. And I'm reminded of what we can do here at TI to minimize our risk.



I say minimize, not eliminate, for there is always risk in the choices we make. The more difficult we make it for strangers to come to our shul, the less likely we will attract the strangers in our midst. We might be able to keep out the one in a

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President's Column: John List What I'm Learning About Being President

About two weeks after I became President, someone asked me: "How is it being President?"

While at first this seemed to be a simple question, it allowed me to be mindful about what I was experiencing in this new role. I do not remember my immediate response. However, I am using this *Menorah* post to more fully answer that question.

Although I have been on the Board at various different times — most recently as Finance VP --- and a regular at services for many years, I now find that there is a broader perspective serving as President. Already, during the past three weeks, this new role has provided me numerous opportunities to interact with the staff, Rabbi Seidel and many congregants in

different ways: participating in committee meetings; visits to TI unrelated to religious services; reading oodles of TI-related e-mails; spending more time on the telephone and picking up more voicemail messages.



These interactions go beyond those I previously experienced while attending religious services and social, community and educational events. In addition, I chaired my first Board meeting where

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million *dangerous* stranger by “hardening” TI with paid staff and weaponry, but we might put off many harmless strangers who could use what we have to offer. I like our current approach, at least for now: a volunteer low-key security team that does great work each Shabbat.

But we in the sanctuary also need to be vigilant about welcoming the stranger. Especially on a non-b-mitzvah Shabbat, when only a few strangers come to shul, they need to be welcomed properly. Which means not just handing them the announcements but actually chatting with them for a second. Here’s a conversational template I use often:

“Hi! Welcome! I’m Rabbi Seidel!” Usually, the stranger will say a little about themselves, and no red flags are raised, and I complete the conversation quickly with something like: “We always have lunch downstairs after

services. Everyone comes down and chats – I hope you’ll join us!”

If all this elicits only a limp handshake and no verbal response, I may continue with: “I don’t think we’ve met before.” If at this point they *still* say nothing, I may continue with more pointed questions: “What brings you to our shul this morning?” and “What is your name?” All said very brightly, with no accusatory shading of tone whatsoever.

Almost always, this finally elicits a response which seems reasonable, and I return to my seat. But if a person refuses to tell me their name, I start to get a little worried. Even so, the person may simply have very poor social skills, or may be extremely shy, or may be mentally ill – they may not be able to respond appropriately to a welcome, but they still don’t feel to me like a threat.

Very rarely, I do feel a threat. I try to be extremely sensitive to my gut instinct in such matters, even if I can’t say exactly what it is that is worrying me. Sometimes (less than once a year) I’m concerned enough to ask a few TI’ers in the crowd to keep an eye on the visitor.

Even more rarely (only a few times in my 20-odd years here) I’ve had to expel a person because they were, say, proselytizing for another religion, or assuming weird silent poses and refusing to speak to me. I’m still polite, if frosty: “I’m sorry, I’m going to have to ask you to leave the building, and I will call the police if you do not leave now.”

I hate having to write that last paragraph – it’s such an unusual occurrence, not at all representative of the welcoming of a stranger that we do here at TI. This welcoming is a combination of *mitzvah* and self-preservation (actually, many *mitzvot* have a communal self-preservation aspect) – a win-win in post-Talmudic terms.

I make no judgment about the church in Charleston -- they may have done just the right thing to assess the situation, and still become victims. I want to use this moment to (1) stand in solidarity with the church (and other like-minded institutions) in their efforts to welcome the stranger, despite the rare dangers, and (2) remind myself, and you also, of the importance of vigilance when it comes to security.

Thank God we don’t yet need an armed guard each Shabbat morning. But we still need to be welcoming and vigilant. I’ll be away for a piece of the summer, and not able to do the welcoming I usually do. I know I can count on you to fill the breach.

Rabbi Seidel

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Tutoring Program Completes 17th Year

Jennifer Goldstein

The Tifereth Israel/Shepherd Elementary School tutoring program had a very successful 17th year!

Tutors from TI and the community and students from Shepherd and other schools paired up on Sundays to work on reading, math skills, and science projects. In all, almost 70 students and tutors participated in the program over 22 tutoring sessions, from October through the end of May. Our tutors ranged in age from those preparing for B'nei Mitzvah to adult congregants.

stein, Susan Catler, Adrienne Goldstein, Chuck Rombro, and Dave Wachtel.

shepherd tutoring program@gmail.com. We look forward to our 18th year!



Looking ahead to the fall, we will need mature tutors as well as teens; it is a rewarding experience for tutors of all ages. We also welcome donations of elementary school teaching aids, such as books and math workbooks. If you are interested in tutoring this fall, or have any questions, please email



No one person could fill the shoes of program founder Dan Nathan; it took six TI members to continue what Dan started: Pam Stone, Jenny Gold-

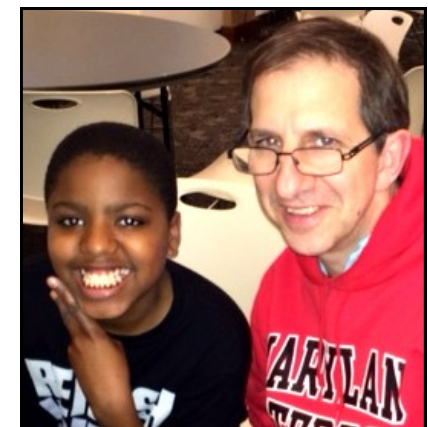
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many of us on the Board were in new roles or on the Board for the first time.

Having this new position feels like a large task that I want to perform responsibly, but what has made the biggest impression on me has been witnessing and being exposed more broadly to the creative energy, enthusiasm, and dedication of TI's volunteers and staff. I am already finding it fun and rewarding to be close to those doing such good work in a well-intentioned way.

So thank you for coming to me with any and all questions. Unless I have an obvious and concrete answer for you, I plan to reflect on what is important to you as congregants or staff.

Thinking about what it's like being President has left me optimistic that this will be a very good year for me -- and hopefully a terrific year for TI as we prepare to celebrate our 100th anniversary.



New Members

Jared Garelick

It's summertime and things get a little more relaxed, including at shul. Many people go away on vacation for part of the time, including the Rabbi, and many kids are away at camp (in the comments section below, feel free to revive the Ramah vs. Mosh vs. Capital Camps controversy).

With so many people away, services are less crowded and more informal. Among the people who come are shul shoppers: people looking to join a synagogue before the High Holidays arrive, soon after Labor Day. So attend when you are in town, enjoy the relaxed vibe, and greet the newcomers you see. You might be just the friendly face that tells them their shul shopping expedition is over.

Steven Stoller

Steven grew up in Brooklyn before moving to the Washington area with his family at age seven in the late 1960s. He has lived here ever since, excluding several long sojourns in Israel in the 1980s. On one trip he studied at a yeshiva, and on another he spent a little over a year at Kibbutz HaZorea in the north.



Steven also spent several months in the group that went to establish the first kibbutz affiliated with the Conservative movement, as well as two and a half years living on Kibbutz Gal-On, a nonreligious kibbutz in central Israel.

Unusually tall, Steven was once

stopped on the street by the manager of the Maccabi Netanya basketball team, who asked him to try out despite Steven's protests that he didn't really play. He got a free lunch and a five-minute tryout from it. Back here in the States, Steven is now a systems analyst for the US Geological Survey in

Reston. He joined his group at the Bureau of Mines in 1993, which transferred over to the USGS in a 1996 reorganization. Steven is with the Materials Information center, which provides statistics on the production of various minerals.

Steven did not find TI through shul shopping but through his friend, Anita Finkelstein, making Anita TI's Magnet Member of the Month. Steven enjoys outdoor activities, including the Alaska cruise on which the accompanying photo was taken. Welcome Steven!

Funeral Practices Committee **Always On-Call**

Haverim of the Funeral Practices Committee are on call to provide counsel and services to synagogue members and their dependents.

In the event of a death, prior to contacting the funeral home, please contact one of the following haverim, Rabbi Seidel, or the TI office (202-882-1605).

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David (Judy) Cohen	h: 301-652-2872
Marcia Goggin	h: 301-593-8480 w: 301-754-1963
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A Letter from the TI President: Online Survey

Dear Fellow Congregant,

The rabbi-congregation relationship is sacred. Like all sacred relationships, the relationship between rabbi and congregation benefits from periodic evaluation and reflection. Every few years, TI's Rabbinic Consultative Committee facilitates a performance evaluation process for Rabbi Seidel as a way of continuing to deepen and improve our collective relationship. The committee is asking for your reflections on Rabbi Seidel's work as part of that process.

One of the ways we gather reflections on Rabbi Seidel's work is through an online survey, which we hope everyone will complete in the next few weeks (see additional information below). Rabbi Seidel has found himself wondering recently about the direction of the congregation, and how he could become a more effective leader. Any comments about these issues would be especially welcome. Perhaps the open-ended questions towards the end of the survey: "What do you wish Rabbi Seidel would spend more time doing?" And "What do you wish Rabbi Seidel would spend less time doing?" could be used to address his concerns.

In addition to the survey, Rabbi Seidel sincerely invites congregants to be in touch with him directly with any specific feedback you might have, whether by email, phone, or in person. As someone who strives to relate to all of our members *panim el-panim* (face-to-face, a Jewish ideal), Rabbi Seidel genuinely welcomes the opportunity for conversation about areas of success and areas that might benefit from additional attention.

If you require a paper version, you may request one from the TI Office. We are asking everyone to finish and submit the survey, whether online or by mail, no later than Friday, August 14, 2015, at 6 pm.

To access the online survey, go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TIRabbi2015>. It should take 20 minutes or less. The survey will be managed by the TI Rabbinic Consultative Committee. Your responses will be confidential. Only the committee will see the individual replies. Neither Rabbi Seidel nor I will have access to them.

The members of the Rabbinic Consultative Committee are:

- Richard Siegel (chair), 202-363-3711 (home), richardsiegel@verizon.net
- Rabbi Elizabeth Richman, 917-686-8671 (cell), earichman@gmail.com
- Lee Footer, 301-754-0998 (home), lfooter@hotmail.com

In advance, thank you for your participation in this important process.

L'Shalom,

John List
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Honoring Jeff Davidson

Jeff Davidson completed his term as TI President in May. Please join us on **Shabbat, July 18** to thank him for his dedication and service to the synagogue!



Contributions for a special kiddush in his honor are very welcome.

Summer Programs at TI

Mon.-Fri.	7 a.m.-6 p.m.	Kaizen Karate Camp
Monday	11 a.m.	Parashat Hashavuah
Monday	1:30 p.m.	Hebrew Fiction Group
Monday	7:30 p.m.	Karate for Adults
Thursday	10 a.m.	Intermediate Hebrew

Lifelong Learning

Eitan Gutin

School Opens September 13

We are looking forward to another banner year for both the Himmelfarb (K-6th) and Jr. Chai (7th & 8th) schools in 2015-2016. Here is a bit of what everyone can look forward to. Remember, you can register today by visiting the TI website and clicking "Join Our School" under the "Youth" menu at the top.

Raising the Bar in Hebrew

Since we introduced our new approach to early Hebrew language development in 2012 we have seen our K-2nd grade students acquire Hebrew skills a full class year earlier than before we introduced the curriculum. This is something we are duly proud of, but we still think we can do more.

Our Gan, Alef, and Bet teachers are all spending the "off season" exploring new tools for Hebrew language studies. We believe that we can maintain our warm, even festive, classroom environment as we continue to build upon what is already a strong program.

Our 3rd through 6th grade classrooms will all see a renewed focus on prayer Hebrew in the coming year. We will continue to build upon the skills developed in the early years of the school, but the *siddur* will become the lens through which most Hebrew is experienced in the coming year.

We are also proud to be offering a new optional Sunday morning Ulpan for our 7th and 8th graders participating in Jr. Chai. Subject to enrollment, this weekly hour-long class will meet from 9:15 to 10:05 a.m. and will mix modern and *siddur* Hebrew in an engaging environment.

Focus on Jewish Values

Beginning with the Gimel class, each grade in the Himmelfarb and Jr. Chai school focuses on one to three Jewish values. These values are the primary focus of the non-Hebrew aspects of our curriculum and give our students the chance to think critically about their identity and experiences as Jews:

Gimel (3rd) -- Family and Community

Daled (4th) -- God and *Hessed*

Hey (5th) -- Torah study, Israel, and God

Vav (6th) -- Torah study and Prayer

Jr. Chai A (7th) -- Zionism and Celebrating Jewishly

Jr. Chai B (8th) -- The Shoah, Jewish Life Cycle, and *Tzedakkah*

By focusing on different core values in each class year we rarely (if ever) hear the traditional Hebrew School complaint "but we learned all of this last year!"

Madrichim!!!

TI's Youth and School programs are proud to welcome our very first cohort of teen *madrichim* this fall. *Madrichim* are members of TI USY who have been trained to act as classroom aides in the Himmelfarb School and to run programs for our younger members.

Our first cohort of *madrichim* will step up this September. *B'hatzlacha Rabbah* to **Ethan Fingerhut, Ellie Hart, Esther Kimelman-Block, and Elijah Lister.**

If you have a rising 9th-11th grader at home who might be interested in becoming a *madrich* this fall we may run another round of training in August. Please contact Eitan Gutin if you are interested.

High Holidays with Kids

We are hard at work getting ready for the first day of Rosh Hashanah on Monday, September 14. Thanks to helpful feedback from TI's parents and supported by the TI Youth Committee we think that the kids' experience this Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur will be really special. We are still working on the overall program but here are some of this year's details:

- The tots/preschool room will have more staff than in past years
- The tots/preschool room will have more structure to their day, similar to what you might experience at a ½ day vacation program
- More Jewish content for school-aged children
- An increased number of spaces/programs operating at the same time, so that we can meet each age group where they are
- Exciting Jewish services, games, and challenges for all!

Please contact Eitan Gutin for more information. An email will go out to all households with children sometime in late July with full details about our High Holiday experiences for kids.

New Restrooms Coming Soon

John List

One of our major facility improvement initiatives will begin early this summer!

The Cherner-level restrooms are about to get a major upgrade. Many people within TI have worked on visioning, planning and fundraising to bring this about and others will continue to work on the project during the construction phase.

The renovation is scheduled to take six to eight weeks and during that time the restrooms will be closed.

The first and second floor restrooms - those near the sanctuary's Juniper St. entrance, the bride's room, the balcony and religious school -- will be available. There is also a restroom at

the back of the Cherner stage that can be used.

While the restrooms are undergoing renovation, we will also do necessary pipe work in the kitchen.

Every effort will be made to minimize the impact of these projects on synagogue life. The Cherner Auditorium, the Mollie L. Berch Library and the ping-pong room will be fully useable.

The kitchen work is not anticipated to impact scheduled *s'mahot* or *kiddushim*.

Please feel free to contact me, at tipresident@tifereth-israel.org, or Jevera Temsky, at tiexec@tifereth-israel.org, if you have questions.

Centennial Planning

Cynthia Peterman

Planning has begun for TI's 100th anniversary, which will be celebrated in 2016-2017. Our founders began to organize "Chevra Tifereth Israel," or the "Mt. Pleasant Congregation," in October 1916, as described in the (Yiddish!) minutes of the first TI board meetings.

We have formed a committee and begun meeting. TI has received a DC Preservation League grant in the category "Mid-Century Modern and Religious Properties," which will enable us to:

- translate the book of Yiddish minutes;
- hire a video editor to compile videos of interviews conducted by Cynthia Peterman and Marcia Goldberg; and
- create a school curriculum that teaches about TI's role in the Shepherd Park neighborhood.

Look for more Centennial updates in The Menorah in the coming months.

Kol Nashim Book Club

Jessica Weissman

The Kol Nashim book club will discuss *In the Courtyard of the Kabbalist*, by Ruchama King Feuerman, at our meeting on **July 21**.

This is a vivid novel set in Jerusalem, involving several unlikely people trying to rebuild their lives, a romance, and also a shard of pottery that may date from the time of the first Temple. Perfect summer reading.

Fourteen copies of the book are available at Montgomery County libraries. The book is also easily available in paperback and electronic formats.

For our **August 18** meeting we will read *Short Stories by Jesus*, by Amy-Jill Levine. This is an in-depth discussion of the New Testament

parables and their Jewish background and interpretation.

Many copies are available at Montgomery County libraries. Because the book is long, you may want to select a few of the parables to concentrate on.

All are welcome. The July meeting is at my house, and we need a location for August.

At our September meeting we will select books for the upcoming months. If you have suggestions, please send them to me. Books should support discussion, have some Jewish interest, and not be too long.

And for those of you wondering: we will read *The Mathematician's Shiva* in the fall when it's likely more people will be able to attend.

Juniper St. Collection

We are now collecting summer clothing for **Shepherd's Table**.

All clothing should be in good condition and suitable for summer only. Clothes may be for men, women or children. NO under-wear

As usual, put your contributions in the wicker basket in the Juniper Street lobby.

This collection will end on Thursday, **July 23**.

July/August Highlights at Tifereth Israel

July 6, 13, 20, 27	Monday Lunch & Learn <i>Parashat HaShavuah</i> , 11 a.m.; Lunch 12 noon
July 12	Movie Nite, <i>Above and Beyond</i> , 7:30 p.m.
July 18	Gabriel Hershberg Bar Mitzvah
July 21	Kol Nashim Book Club, <i>In the Courtyard of the Kabbalist</i> , at home of Jessica Weissman, 7:30 p.m.
August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31	Monday Lunch & Learn <i>Parashat HaShavuah</i> , 11 a.m.; Lunch 12 noon
August 18	Kol Nashim Book Club, <i>Short Stories by Jesus</i> , location TBD, 7:30 p.m.
August 29	Nathaniel Heller Bar Mitzvah

News from Goettingen

Naomi Revzin

A new exhibit of Goettingen's Jewish cemetery will open with a lecture on what Jewish cemeteries in Germany tell us about German-Jewish life. A cemetery visit is included.

A workshop will be conducted on the important role of singing (*shi'ur*) in the annual festival cycle, both in family and community celebrations. The Gemeinde congregation will probe how the annual cycle of singing the same songs transforms them into beloved folk songs, which become important ways for Jews to

keep their annual festival celebrations and memories.

The Gemeinde's park that is used by both the Jewish and Goettingen communities has acquired new benches, a bicycle rack, and two new garden beds from which vines will grow to give the pergola a "roof." The sanctuary has a new reader's desk that matches the style of the ark.

The Gemeinde participated in "The Guest of Abraham," a city-sponsored

event to celebrate Goettingen's three Abrahamic religions. The event explored musical and cultural traditions, and featured panel conversations and a religious quiz.

Talmud Study

Talmud with Rabbi Seidel will continue throughout the summer on Shabbat at 1 p.m. in the Reamer Chapel on July 11, July 25 and August 22.

Social Action at TI: Stephen Nelson Sign Up NOW!

Every year, during the High Holiday services, leaders of the Social Action Committee take a few minutes to talk about our social action projects and to encourage volunteers to participate.

At that time, we distribute cards and stickers to the Congregation so that members can "sign up" (without using a pen or pencil) for the various activities that we sponsor, ranging from the Martha's Table van run to the Shepherd School Tutoring Program to our largest project, the December Holiday for the Homeless.

But TI members don't have to wait for the High Holidays to sign up for the programs. The summer is a good time to plan for the New Year, and to do some soul searching as to what we can do for the betterment of society. And, as noted below, this is particularly important with regard to the Rosh Hashanah Food Delivery project.

One Program No Longer Needed

We're happy to report that one of our programs -- the Alan Gross Vigil -- is no longer necessary. Held in a Cuban jail since December 2009 for helping the Havana Jewish community set up an intranet site, he was freed late last year as part of President Obama's efforts to normalize relations with Cuba.

While many factors led to Gross' release, the regular vigil held outside the Cuban interest section of the Swiss embassy certainly raised consciousness about his plight, and contributed to the happy outcome. The Social Action Committee would like to acknowledge the hard work done by **Mona Berch** in organizing TI participation in the vigil on a weekly basis.

Listed below are some of the programs that TI's Social Action Committee sponsors. Many of the

programs are appropriate for families; please check with the contact person regarding the minimum age for participation.

Rosh Hashanah/Passover Food Delivery

You can help brighten a family's holiday by helping us deliver dozens of bags of groceries to Jewish seniors, immigrants and others in need. Given the timing of the Rosh Hashanah project, it's particularly important for volunteers to contact us soon for this project. **Contacts:** **Larry Baizer** (lbaizer@yahoo.com), **Gene Herman** (gene511@aol.com).

Martha's Table Van Run and More

Help us serve dinner to homeless men and women on the streets of downtown Washington, in partnership with Martha's Table, as we drive the MT van and stop at two locations on the second Sunday of each month. Another opportunity is working with MT as they provide children, youth and families with educational programs, food and clothing. **Contact:** **Gene Herman** (gene511@aol.com).

December Holiday Dinners for the Homeless

During December, volunteers from Tifereth Israel help provide a joyous Christmas meal for the homeless in four DC men's' and women's' shelters. Volunteers are needed for all phases of this event including preparation, distribution and serving the meals. **Contact:** **Frank Solomon** (f50solomon@gmail.com).

Luther Place Dinners

One Sunday a month, volunteers cook and serve dinner to 20-30 women at the Luther Place Church's "N Street Village" women's shelter. It's a great family activity. Dinner becomes more satisfying for all.



Contact: **Marjorie Siegel** (Marjorie.siegel@verizon.net).

SOME Shelter Casseroles

One night a month, we bake and deliver casseroles for the shelter operated by So Others Might Eat (SOME). We give you the recipe to bake a casserole. If you think you can fire up your oven, even only once during the year, then you can volunteer. **Contacts:** **Stephanie & David Rubin** (david.h.rubin@usps.gov).

Food and Clothing Collections

We collect food, clothing and other items throughout the year. We need your help with planning, publicizing, collecting, sorting, and delivering. **Contact:** **Jeri Roth Lande** (rothland@erols.com).

Shepherd School Tutoring

[Please see the related story on page 4.] Since 2000, adults and teenagers from Tifereth Israel and our neighborhood have tutored students from our local public elementary school. Each tutor is paired with a young student (grade 2-6) for the school year. The pair meets one hour each week at a regularly-scheduled time on Sundays at the synagogue to read, practice math skills, or review homework.

The weekly hour can make a tremendous difference in the academic performance of participating students by boosting their self-confidence and strengthening skills learned in school -- a very high rate of return on volunteer service.

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Kol Nashim

Louise Parker Kelley



KN Salon

The **Chocolate and Chardonnay Salon** proved to be a winning combination for convivial conversation this past month. Fine wine and some superb cocoa confections were featured on May 31 at member **Lisa Kraft's** home.

From 4 to 6 p.m. new members were welcomed, friends were well met and everyone got to know Kol Nashim better. The variety of sweet and savory snacks, the beautiful home and the company of Jewish women were all part of the success.

New Members

Kol Nashim membership has grown during the past year. We welcome all of the following new members:

Sarah Handwerker, Devorah Lynn, Rose Ellen Halper and Gail Feldman.

Book Club

The Kol Nashim Book Club meets monthly at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month. All are welcome to participate on a regular or one-shot basis. The Book Club last met on June 16 at the home of **Cyndy Weitz** to discuss *Jews and Words* by Amos Oz and Fania Oz Saltzberger.

See the separate article on page 7 on upcoming Book Club sessions.

Summer/Fall Planning

We will be planning upcoming programs at our next Kol Nashim

Board meeting on July 22 at the home of **Esther Herman**. Bring ideas and make suggestions.

Feel free to contact any member of the KN Board with your ideas:

Pearl Schainker
Margie Odle
Debby Pomerance
Adele Natter
Esther Herman
Ruth Shapiro
Sharon Brown
Rose Ellen Halper
Louise Kelley

Gevarim

Andrew Reamer



Gevarim is pleased to offer the TI community the following activities in July and August:

Movie Nite @ TI

Sunday, July 12, 7:30 p.m., *Above and Beyond*. Would you risk everything -- your future, your citizenship, even your life -- to help a brother in need?

Social Action (cont.)

Contact: shepardtutoringprogram@gmail.com.

For more information generally about TI's social action programs, please contact **Claudine Schweber** (pariscs@gmail.com), **Gene Herman** (gene511@aol.com), or **Larry Baizer** (lbaizer@yahoo.com).

In 1948, just three years after the liberation of Nazi death camps, a group of Jewish American pilots answered a call for help. In secret and at great personal risk, they smuggled planes out of the U.S., trained behind the Iron Curtain in Czechoslovakia and flew for Israel in its War of Independence.

As members of *Machal* – “volunteers from abroad” – this ragtag band of brothers not only turned the tide of the war; they also embarked on personal journeys of discovery and renewed Jewish pride.

Sunday, August 9, 7:30 p.m., *Joachim Prinz: I Shall Not Be Silent*. A captivating and moving portrait of one of the most outspoken rabbis living under the Nazi regime who went on to become a leading American civil rights activist.

The film traces the life of a man who was an unwavering voice for justice, unconcerned with the popularity of his positions. In recalling the historical alliance between Jews and African-Americans during his visit to Israel in 2013, President Barack Obama singled out Rabbi Prinz for his brave crusade against prejudice.

“I speak to you as an American Jew. I was the rabbi of the Jewish community in Berlin under the Hitler regime. I learned many things. The most important thing...is that bigotry and hatred are not the most urgent problem. The most urgent, the most disgraceful, the most shameful, and the most tragic problem is silence.” – Rabbi Joachim Prinz, the March on Washington, 1963.

Nayes un Mekhayes for TI'ers

Barbara Raimondo

Did You Go to UNESCO?

In June, UNESCO held a series of meetings to craft recommendations to its member nations' education ministers on expanding online education and job training, and to use these learning technologies and methodologies to reduce global poverty.

About 120 people from roughly 120 nations were asked to participate in the week-long, invitation-only working sessions, held at UNESCO headquarters in Paris ... and UNESCO invited our own **Paul Bardack** to be the American representative to those meetings. "Tres cool, non?"

Not to be left on this side of the pond, **Claudine Schweber** also has found a way to go to the land of Louis XIV. She will be giving a paper in Nice in early July on crisis management, and then visiting with her cousin in Bordeaux for a week. Husband **Ed** will be joining in Bordeaux and helping to drink those special wines. He is one supportive guy!

Baby Boy Saletta, present connoisseur of a different type of beverage, was born on June 12. At birth he was 8 lbs, 10 oz. and 20 inches long. Baby and family are doing well!

Dragon Was Laggin'

Alan Landay was in his ol' stomping ground of Oak Ridge, Tennessee for the graduation from Oak Ridge High School (Alan's own alma mater) of his nephew, **Ezekiel (Zeke) Charles**. He is the last of Alan's nieces and nephews to graduate high school. Ah, how time marches on.

Another fun event that weekend was a Dragon Boat race competition in which Alan's sister, **Becky** (Zeke's mother), turned into a Dragon. No, really, she just raced, and her team

missed getting into the finals by a hairy toenail (Regrets? I've had a few . . .). Alan also enjoyed Israeli Folk Dancing at his old synagogue.

Myrna Goldman and her sister, **Harriet Ainbinder**, took a Road Scholar (formerly Elderhostel) trip in mid-May to visit Frank Lloyd Wright houses in Pennsylvania. They saw Duncan House, two other Wright-inspired houses, Kentuck Knob, and, the *piece de resistance*, Fallingwater.

There were morning presentations and evening videos. A special treat was a talk by Elsie Henderson, who prepared desserts and organized meals for the Kauffmann family at Fallingwater. She is now 101, and remembers every detail of who did what. Way better than Facebook.

Margie Odle and **Carl Bergman** are delighted to announce the July 11 marriage of their daughter, **Sydney**, to **Sam Anderson**, son of **Marian** and **Eric Anderson** of Machias, New York.

Sydney recently finished her eighth year teaching biology at DC's School Without Walls Senior High School, where she also chairs the science department. Sam is Assistant Vice President of Student Retention Strategy and Strategic Enrollment Management at the University of Maryland's University College. They met while undergraduates at the University of Pittsburgh.

Gene and **Esther Herman's** oldest grandson, **Adam Joshua Cohen**, graduated from Jewish Primary Day School (JPDS) along with some other TI kids. They created wonderful final projects that described what assets gained from JPDS they are taking with them to middle school. Projects were presented physically, in writing and orally by each graduate in a slide show presentation at the graduation ceremony.

Adam will be starting Sidwell Friends Middle School in seventh grade. Oldest granddaughter, **Talia Liu**, completed her first year at Rice University in Houston, Texas and traveled with the Birthright trip to Israel. She will be on the board of the Houston/ Rice Hillel the next school year.

Hey, Hey, MFA

Anita Finkelstein's daughter, **Dinah Fay**, received her MFA in creative writing (poetry) from Rutgers last month. She received a Master's Scholarship Award "in recognition of outstanding achievement and potential for graduate study." She also has had one of her poems published in the Paterson Literary Review. Her sister, **Mariah**, made the spring term Dean's List at Dickinson College and is spending the summer in Amherst, MA, attending the Hampshire College Institute for Curatorial Practice.

Isaac Solomon, son of **Frank Solomon**, graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. He is following his brother, **Aaron's** steps in going to the University of Maryland-College Park in the fall on almost a full scholarship. Music to a parent's ears! He is in the College Park Scholars program.

Aaron will be a junior doing a double major in biochemistry and computer science on a Banneker-Key Scholarship. He has a summer internship at the Shock Trauma Center of the University of Maryland's Medical Center in Baltimore. During the school year, Aaron will continue his internship in molecular cell research funded by the NIH.

David and **Judy Cohen's** oldest grandson, **Yoav Cohen-Rimmer**, graduated from the University of Toronto this spring and will be

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Summary of TI Board of Directors Meeting May 11, 2015

Attending: Larry Baizer, Susan Catler, Joel Cohen, Jeffrey Colman, Jeffrey Davidson, Joe Davidson, Lisa Goldberg, Wilhelmina Gottschalk, Judy Herzog, John List, Stephanie Roodman Murdock, Ray Natter, Cynthia Peterman, Debbie Pomerance, Andrew Reamer, Howard Riker, Hannah Rubin, Judy Tulchin, Dan Turner, Mark Verschell, Terri Zall

Excused: Sharon Brown, Chris Zeilinger

Staff: Eitan Gutin, Jevera Temsky

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 p.m.

President's Report. President Jeff Davidson reported on upcoming synagogue and community events.

Minutes. The board approved the April board meeting minutes and summary.

Finance Report. Financial Vice President John List presented the FY16 dues proposal, which was passed by the board.

Nominations. Nominating Committee Chairs Hannah Rubin and Terri Zall presented the proposed slate of 2015-2016 officers, trustees and at-large board members, which was approved by the board.

Jeff Davidson acknowledged departing board members.

Annual Meeting. The board voted on the date of Annual Meeting, which will be May 27, 2015.

Updates. Various board members presented updates on the rain garden, construction project management, the bathroom renova-

tions, TI's email system and the Spring Barbecue.

Hallah Baking. At-Large Member Judy Herzog presented a proposal for monthly hallah baking and sales at the synagogue.

Membership Report. Vice President for Membership Susan Catler reported that Kathy Davidson, wife of Joe Davidson, passed away, and that Hadassah Lily Gottschalk was born.

Good & Welfare. Board members shared good and welfare items.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Nayes un Mekhayes (continued)

entering a graduate program in education in the fall, following in his father's footsteps (Benjy is principal of the Bialik Jewish Day School in Toronto).

But in bigger news, David and Judy are celebrating 50, count 'em, 50 years of marriage! They tied the knot in 1965 at Tifereth Israel, with Rabbi Abramowitz officiating.

To add to their anniversary celebration, their kids, **Benjy** and **Deb**, will honor them at the Shabbat service on July 11, where they hope to see all of you. Your Faithful Columnist doesn't care that you have a vacation planned! David and Judy are very grateful to have arrived at this milestone in good

health and good humor, and look forward to marking it in shul with both their bio and TI family.

Sad News

Nelly Myriam Adda Sarma, mother of TI member **Annick (Reed) Gershwind**, and grandmother of **Nirel** and **Beri**, died in April in France. The funeral was held there. She was 79.

Bernard Golub, father of TI member **Lynn Golub-Rofrano (Joseph Rofrano)** and grandfather of **Joshua** and **Myriam**, as well as other children and grandchildren, died in June. He was 89 and is also survived by his widow, **Claire Golub**.

May the families and loved ones be comforted among those who mourn in Zion and Jerusalem.

And now for the meaning of last month's word, *eclogue*: "a poem in which shepherds converse" (Merriam-Webster Online). (Surely you did not need Your Faithful Columnist to explain this.)

Thanks to all who sent me news, sent me to others who sent me news, or otherwise helped sniff it out. Please send news for next time to baraimondo@gmail.com, with "Nayes un Mekhayes" in the heading, or to P.O. Box 466, Washington Grove, MD 20880. This brings to a close a jocund edition of Nayes un Mekhayes for TI'ers.

B'nei Mitzvah

I'm **Gabriel William Hershberg** and will have my Bar Mitzvah at TI on July 18.

I live in Washington, DC, with my parents, James and Annie Hershberg, my younger (by two years) sister, Vera, our two Bengal cats, Ella (my favorite!) and Pixie; and our parrot, Lilly. After completing elementary school at the Hebrew Day Institute and Murch Elementary School, I now attend Alice Deal Middle School.

I love playing soccer and ice hockey, and both video games and nature — especially trips to tropical places with cool animals, coconut palm trees, and/or volcanoes, like Florida and Hawaii! I also enjoy summer and winter trips to see my grandparents, Arline and David Hershberg, and cousins in New York and Vermont, and my grandma, Cynthia Brown, in Scappoose (near Portland), Oregon.



I'm **Nate Heller**, and I will become a Bar Mitzvah on August 29, *Parashah Ki-Tetzei*. I'm entering 7th grade at the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School, and I also attended the Jewish Primary Day School.

I'm a baseball and sports fanatic, and like to travel to other cities with my mom, dad, and younger brother, Jacob, to watch the Nationals play.

I'm excited to celebrate my Bar Mitzvah at Tifereth Israel where my dad and *Elte-Bubbe* also became B'nei Mitzvah. Big thanks to my tutor, Judy Cohen, who has led two generations of Heller boys onto the *bimah*.

Upcoming Friday Night Minyan Assignments

July 3

Abraham & Dena Greenstein
 David Greisen & Jessica Bell
 Franca Brilliant
 Leah Weinryb Grohsgal & Corey Goettsch
 Richard Gryziak & Leigh Verbois
 Stefan Gunter & Lisa Goldberg
 Eitan & Aviva Gutin
 Jonathan Halpern
 Daniel & Elizabeth Handwerker
 David & Sara Handwerker
 Eliot Harrison & Wendy Blake-Coleman
 David Hart & Lois Frankel
 Michael Heimowitz & Dori Gillman
 Larry Held & Sara Feinstein
 Matt & Linda Heller
 Steve & Shelly Heller

July 10

Eugene & Esther Herman
 Carolivia Herron
 James & Annie Hershberg
 William & Hodos
 Gayle & Erik Hope
 Robert & Helen Hovis
 Hedy Howard
 Neil Hyman & Rachel Decter Hyman
 Anita Isicson
 David & Shana Jacobs
 Leonard Jewler & Andrea Rosen
 Harvey Kabaker & Andrea Kline
 Steven Kalish & Anita Bollt
 David Kass & Iris Amdur
 Joshua & Jennifer Kefer
 Kenneth Kellner & Nina Bronk Kellner

July 17

Rabbi Jason & Devora Kimelman-Block
 Alexandra Kincannon & Paul Moorehead
 Shemaya & Dori Klar
 Morris Klein & Naomi Freeman
 Jennifer Knoll & Justin Kenny
 Roger Kohn
 Allan Kolker
 Edward Koren & Claudine Schweber

Michael & Lisa Kraft
 Anita Kramer
 Joel Kramer & Adena Galinsky
 Joshua & Francesca Kranzberg
 David & Amy Kritz
 Richard Kruger & Naimah Weinberg
 Matthew Kunkin & Hilary Sachs
 Simcha Kuritzky
 Susan Laden
 Alan Landay
 Robert Lande & Jeri Roth Lande

July 24

Hayim Lapin & Maxine Grossman
 Alexander Laufer & Jennifer Siegel Laufer
 Adina & Refael Lav
 Michael & Iris Lav
 Mitchell Lazarus & Judith Shapiro
 Beverly Lehrer
 Elihu & Sheila Leifer
 Ken & Rachel Lemberg
 Steve LeVine & Nuri Nurlybayeva
 Mark Lewis & Janet Nesse
 Dan Liebman & Lis Davis
 Lisa Traiger
 Fred Lipschultz & Rabbi Diana Lynn
 John & Lynne List
 John Lister

July 31

Oscar & Amy Mann
 Stephen Marcus & Renee Matalon
 Joseph & Paula Martin
 Robert Mathis & Tali Stopak-Mathis
 David & Carla Matusow
 Allison & Colin McMillan
 Stephen Meltzer
 Diana Meyer
 Tobi McFarland
 David & Janice Mehler
 Robert & Laura Meisnere
 Ethan Merlin & Joelle Novey
 David & Dana Mermelstein
 Sarah & Rachel Meytin
 Josephine Mickelson
 Michael & Barbara Milton
 Emily & Adil Moiduddin
 Jacob & Elaine Mondschein
 Ken Morris & Terri Zall

Eli & Laura Muller
 Jerry & Sharon Muller

August 7

Jonah & Stephanie Murdock
 Myron Murdock & Judy Herzog-Murdock
 Beth Naftalin
 Ray & Adele Natter
 Sheridan & Dana Neimark
 Michael H. New & Linda Turnowski
 Stephen Nelson & Leslie Goodman-Malamuth
 David Ogilvie & Miriam Lederer
 Lee & Hedy Ohringer
 Sarah Osborne
 Jessica Goldings & Jonathan Panikoff
 Larry Paul & Joye Newman
 Perry & Fylis Peckham
 Daniel Pederson & Dafna Spear
 David Pelzer & Ellie Tiemann
 Melissa Perera
 Adam & Jessica Perlmutter
 Jeff & Cynthia Peterman
 Michael Pitch & Elaine Weiss
 Joshua Pitlick & Janet Blank
 Lisa Plotkin

August 14

David & Laurel Rabin
 Glenn Rapoport
 Jacqueline Ratner
 Marisol Ravicz & David Rapier
 Andrew Reamer
 Sanford & Shelley Reback
 Naomi Reem
 Jay Renbaum & Shannah Koss
 Arnold & Naomi Revzin
 Ruth Reynolds
 Howard Riker & Danielle Glosser
 Morris & Judy Rodenstein
 Joseph Rofrano & Lynn Golub-Rofrano
 Charles Rombro & Pamela Stone
 Elliot Rosen & Sharon Cohen
 Andrew Roshwalb & Jackelyn Lopez Roshwalb
 Aviel Roshwald & Alene Moyer
 Ari Roth & Kate Schecter
 Nancy Roth
 Marc Rothenberg & Ivy Baer

Pride Day Outreach Big Success

Louise Parker Kelley

Tifereth Israel's presence at LGBT Pride Day downtown on June 14 was a big success and lots of fun for everyone. Volunteers were able to get festival-goers to sign up to get information about TI's programs and services, give out event flyers, adult education catalogs and *The Menorah*.

TI became a more high-profile part of the growing Jewish presence at Pride Day. The volunteers also got to enjoy the colorful and outrageous celebration that is Pride Day in DC. It has to be seen, it cannot be explained.

40th Anniversary Celebration

This was the 40th Anniversary of the Festival, which began in 1975 as a

small block party on 20th Street NW (which I, in fact, attended back then).

Now the Pride Festival takes up ten city blocks on Pennsylvania Avenue, features hours of live entertainment and is sponsored by corporations in the city willing to contribute to equality.

Rainbow-Hued Buttons

TI Festival coordinator **Sarah Meytin** was able to arrange for rainbow-hued buttons that stated "Find Sanctuary at Tifereth Israel" or "Out of the Closet, Up on the Bimah." These proved very popular. Families cooed over the candy, with several people exclaiming how it reminded them of their b'nei mitzvah.

The high point was connecting with people about family programming and Torah study at TI. By far the funniest moment was when the heavens opened after 4:00 and attendees raced to get out of the pouring rain, some running in stillettos, others prancing in bathing suits, and at least one turning cartwheels while people cheered.

Volunteers for the TI booth included Sarah Meytin, Rachel Meytin, James Ehrman, Andrea Kline, Allison Turner, Ellen Zwibak, Iris Lav and Jessica Weissman with additional support provided by Emma Glaser, Sheri Blonder, Jevera Temsky, Jeff Davidson, John List, Catherine Tuerk, Susan Catler, Grant Maxwell and Debbie Pomerance.



Volunteers Louise Kelley, Allison Turner and Ellen Zwibak at the Tifereth Israel booth at the June 14 Pride Day

Av is for Aryeh Simcha Kuritzky

Two millennia ago the Jews adopted the Babylonian solar zodiac to the Jewish lunar calendar, assigning one sign to each month. Leo the lion in Hebrew is Aryeh and was assigned to the month of Av. Leo rules over the period July 22-August 23 in the Gregorian calendar. Av in this century can begin as early as July 8 or as late as August 7; this year it begins the evening of July 16.

The first mention of lions in the Bible is Jacob's blessing of Judah as a lion's cub, so the tribe of Judah is represented as a lion. When the tribe of Judah gave their name to all the Jews, lions became our symbol. Israel first showed the symbols of the 12 tribes on the 1961 Bar Mitzvah medal, issued to celebrate Israel's 13th anniversary.



In 1968, the ₪100 note also shows the 12 tribal symbols.



Israel has since issued two series of medals that portray the tribes' unique symbols. The 1994 series show paintings from Salvador Dali. The Judah medal shows a king wearing a red cape walking towards a pair of lions and beyond them, to Jerusalem.



In 2003, Israel issued 12 medals of the Chagall stained glass windows at Hadassah Hospital. The Judah medal has a red lion at the base next to a blue Jerusalem. The Dan medal shows a small red lion climbing a lamp and reaching towards the sword of justice. The Levi medal shows four animals around an incense bowl: dove, eagle, lion, and deer.



The Judean hills lie east and south of Jerusalem. In 1976, Israel issued a medal to commemorate the founding of the Mateh Yehuda Regional Council. It shows one of the hills in the shape of a lion head with flowing mane. The other side has a stylized lion standing on a cog and wheat.



A lion with a curled tail stands on seven pillars inside a stylized crowned harp on Israel's 1993 medal commemorating the 25th anniversary of the return of Jews to the towns of Hebron and Qiryat Arba in Judea



A symbol of the political Zionist movement is a rampant lion inside a Magen David. One appears next to a bust of Herzl on Israel's 1997 Basel Congress centennial medal.



Once Israel retook the Old City in 1967, it issued a number of medals with Jerusalem's rampant lion coat of arms, including the Jerusalem mayor's medals starting in 1969 along with the city name in three languages.



A more ambitious Jerusalem of Gold medal came out in 1983 with the rampant lion surrounded by Jerusalem's name in 20 languages (a later version limits it to 12).



The Teddy Kollek medal of 2001 (issued on his 90th birthday) shows a large rampant lion with the legend Lover and Builder of Jerusalem.



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Av is for Aryeh (continued)

The walls of Jerusalem, built in the mid-1500s by the Turkish King Suleyman I, originally had seven gates. One near the Temple Mount was decorated with four sejant lions and is known as the Lion's Gate. Through this gate Israel's paratroopers entered the Old City in 1967. Shortly after the war, each paratrooper received a medal with a large version of the Lion's Gate.



Israel's fourth series of banknotes each shows a different Jerusalem gate. The 5 lirot has the Lion's Gate on the back.



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A much smaller version of the gate appeared along with Ammunition Hill on Israel's 1987 anniversary commemorative coin. For the 30th anniversary of the war, Israel issued a large medal with the Lions Gate.



Perhaps the most famous lion is from the seal of Jereboam found in Megiddo in 1904. The seal shows a stylized lion standing left with curled tail held high. It first appeared on the series 2 five lirot note first issued in 1958 and retired a decade later.



When Israel replaced the note with a coin in 1978, they placed the lion from the seal on the new coin. A similar lion appears on the gold bullion 20 new shekalim coins that Israel started minting in 2010.



The seal itself last appeared on the 2012 UNESCO heritage coin commemorating Tel Megiddo.



In 2013, Israel issued a series of medals showing the mosaic from the Be'er Shema (in northern Negev) 6th Century monastery in color. One medal shows a lion walking left. A lion statue from the UNESCO site Tel Hazor in eastern Galilee appears on Israel's 2014 commemorative coins.



However, the first lion artifact to appear on a coin or medal was not ancient. In 1919, Arab raiders attacked the new village of Tel Hai near the northern tip of Israel, killing

several Jews. This battle led to the founding of the Haganah the next year. A lion statue honoring the fallen was dedicated in 1934 and commemorated 25 years later on Israel's second state medal.



The zodiac was often used in ancient art. A mosaic showing the 12 signs surrounding Helios appears in a 6th Century synagogue from Bet Alpha, and was chosen for Israel's 25th anniversary medal on 1973.



The individual signs, including the crude lion, appear on a series of 1984 small silver medals.



Since the Hebrew word *mazal* means luck, the zodiac is the symbol of Israel's state lottery *Mifal HaPayis*. On the lottery's 20th anniversary in 1970 Israel issued a medal showing the signs of the zodiac.



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High Holiday Schedule

Saturday, September 5

10:30 p.m. S'lihot Program
Midnight S'lihot Service

Monday, September 7

9:30 a.m.–2 p.m. Jeremy Goldberg Synagogue Clean-Up (part 1)

Sunday, September 13

9:30 a.m.– 11 a.m. Social Action Holiday Food Deliver
10 a.m.-12 noon Jeremy Goldberg Synagogue Clean-Up (part 2)

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Av is for Aryeh (continued)

A special locket with an insert showing the zodiac signs was first sold in 1989. The insert can be rotated to show one of the 12 signs.



Modern Jewish artifacts often use lions as decorations. Two which Israel has portrayed numismatically are a lion-supported Hanukkah lamp from 20th Century Russia (shown on the 5 lirot Hanukkah coin of 1972) and a Torah scroll with a rampant lion (shown on the Simhat Torah medal of 1994, part of a series of 12 holiday medals).



Lions are known for their fierceness. The Jewish warrior Samson famously killed a lion single-handed. This is shown on the Biblical art commemorative coin of 2009.



The prophet Daniel famously avoided combat with the inhabitants of a lions' den. Israel commemorated him on the Biblical art coin of 2012.



Last are Israel's coins and medal that portray the endangered Asian lion. Israel issued a series of 12 medals in 1990 for native flora and fauna.

The lion medal includes the quote from *Pirkei Avot* that one should be as strong as a lion to do the will of our Father in Heaven.

The other side shows a snapdragon, which is called lion's jaw in Hebrew. The next year, Israel started a series of coins showing animals and plants mentioned in the Bible. The 1997 coin shows a stylized lion with the phrase "lion's den" from Song of Songs 4:8.



Lions have appeared in a variety of forms on Israel's money and medals, as symbols of the Jews and our enemies; on ancient, medieval and modern artwork; in natural and stylized forms. They are the most popular animal in Israel's numismatics.

High Holiday Schedule (continued)

Rosh Hashanah

Sunday, September 13 Erev Rosh Hashanah

6:30 p.m. Ma'ariv

Monday, September 14 Rosh Hashanah Day 1

Wolman Sanctuary (assigned seating)

8:45 a.m. P'sukei D'Zimrah & Shoharim

10:00 a.m. Torah reading

11:00 a.m. Sermon by Rabbi Ethan Seidel, Musaf

Cherner Auditorium

9:15 a.m. Shoharim

10:15 a.m. Torah parade and Torah reading, followed by Musaf

Tot Service - Reamer Chapel

10:30 a.m. Following the Cherner Auditorium Torah parade
(For children aged 18 months to 5 years together with their parents)

Youth Activities & Babysitting

9:00 a.m. Babysitting opens for children ages 18 months to pre-K

10:00 a.m. Quiet room (reading, studying) opens for children grades 4 to 7

10:00 a.m. Youth activities begin for children grades K to 7

12:30 p.m. Youth activities end; Supervised play for all ages begins

1:00 p.m. Babysitting and supervised play ends

Afternoon & Evening

5:00 p.m. Tashlikh walk from TI to Rock Creek Park

5:45 p.m. Potluck at the home of Lillian Kronstadt, 1733 Juniper Street, NW

7:00 p.m. Minhah and Ma'ariv

Tuesday, September 15 Rosh Hashanah Day 2

Wolman Sanctuary (open seating - no assigned seats)

Schedule same as Day 1

Youth Activities & Babysitting

Schedule same as Rosh Hashanah Day 1

Sunday, September 20 Cemetery Service

10:45 a.m. Mt. Lebanon Cemetery

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High Holiday Schedule (continued)

Yom Kippur

Tuesday, September 22 Kol Nidre

- 6:30 p.m. Activities and babysitting for children 18 mo. to 3rd grade
 6:35 p.m. sharp! Services in both Wolman and Cherner
 Youth activities for 4th-7th graders begin after chanting of Kol Nidre

Wednesday, September 23 Yom Kippur

Wolman Sanctuary

- 8:45 a.m. P'sukei D'Zimrah and Shaharit
 10:30 a.m. Torah reading
 11:30 a.m. Sermon - Rabbi Seidel
 12 noon Yizkor memorial service
 12:30 p.m. Musaf

Cherner Auditorium

- 9:15 a.m. Shaharit
 10:15 a.m. Torah parade and Torah reading
 11:15 a.m. Yizkor memorial service followed by Musaf

Tot Service – Reamer Chapel

- 10:30 a.m. Following the Cherner Auditorium Torah parade
 (For children aged 18 months to 5 years together with their parents)

Youth Activities & Babysitting

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 10:00 a.m. Quiet room (reading, studying) opens for children grades 4 to 7
 10:30 a.m. Youth activities begin for children grades K to 7
 12:30 p.m. Youth activities end; Supervised play begins for all ages
 1:00 p.m. Babysitting and supervised play ends

Afternoon & Evening (services in the Wolman Sanctuary with open seating)

- 4:00 p.m. Minhah
 5:20 p.m. Talk and discussion
 Teen Shmooze with Eitan Gutin
 6:20 p.m. Neilah
 7:40 p.m. Shofar & Ma'ariv

Break Fast Immediately following the Service

High Holiday On-Line Forms

A High Holiday mailing will go out to members during the first week of July. The submission deadline for reserving seats in the Wolman Sanctuary at an \$18/seat rate is July 31. Starting August 1, the rate for reserving Wolman seats is \$36/seat and staff will be less able to meet specific seating requests.

Meanwhile, you can find the High Holiday forms listed below on line at www.tifereth-israel.org/hiho2015. If you need any help or prefer to fill out a paper form, please contact Sheri Blonder at tiadmin@tifereth-israel.org or at 202-882-1605 x301.

High Holiday Forms

- High Holiday ticket order form
- Book of Remembrance listing requests
- Memorial plaque order form

Volunteer Opportunities

- Greeters/Lobbyists/Security
- Jeremy Goldberg cleanup days
- Rosh Hashanah food delivery project
- Prepare break fast for Yom Kippur

Ritual Items

- Lulav and Etrog
- *Mahzor Lev Shalem*

Donations

- Annual Appeal
- Yizkor

Food

- Rosh Hashanah carry-out food orders
- Break fast for Yom Kippur
- Share a Rosh Hashanah meal

Medical Professionals Sign Up

- If you are a medical professional, please let us know who you are and your area of medicine.

Memorial Plaque Form

If you would like to establish a permanent memorial plaque at TI for a deceased relative or friend with a donation to TI of \$500, please complete the form below and return it to the TI office.

On the anniversary of the Hebrew date of death of a parent, child, sibling or spouse, that person's *yahrzeit* is observed by lighting a 24-hour candle in the home the evening before the *yahrzeit*, by contributing to a worthy charity or cause, and by attending Synagogue to worship and recite the mourner's *Kaddish*. At TI, we recite the names of the deceased just before reciting the *Kaddish* on the Friday evening and Shabbat morning prior to a person's *yahrzeit* date.

Memorial plaques are lit on the Shabbat before a *yahrzeit* and whenever there is a *Yizkor* service. We will make our best effort to have new plaques installed by Yom Kippur if ordered by **July 12, 2015**.

Please fill out the form below or go to <https://tiferethdc.shulcloud.com/plaque> to fill out the form online.

Memorial Plaque Order Form

(Enclose a check for \$500)

Name of Deceased: _____

Hebrew Name: _____ ben/bat _____

Date of Death: _____ Approx. Time of Death: _____ **before** or **after** sunset (*circle one*)

and/or Hebrew Date of Death: _____

Submitted by: _____ Relationship to deceased: _____

Your email address: _____

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Joel H. Greenstein

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