

B'nai Israel

The Newsletter of Temple B'nai Israel

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120 Years On

“May you live until 120.” As we remember this timeless Jewish blessing, Temple B'nai Israel will be celebrating 120 years this summer. Since its inception, the temple has provided service to the year-round Jewish community as well as to summer visitors. “It is very exciting to celebrate our 120th anniversary with three separate events that work together to create a big, festive weekend,” said event chairwoman Emily Stuchell. “We look forward to our small year-round community coming together with our much larger summer community to celebrate and ensure a bright future for the next 120 years.” Temple President Josh Meyerson added, “We are especially excited to welcome back our Israeli summer Rabbi Maya Leibovich and her husband Menachem. We will also be honoring the many student rabbis who have served us so faithfully since 1925.”

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Anniversary Weekend

Join in a celebration of Temple B'nai Israel's 120th Anniversary from July 29th to the 31st. The weekend's events include:

- Friday, July 29, 7:30 p.m. Rav Maya will conduct a special **Friday Night Shabbat Service**
- Saturday, July 30, 6:30 p.m. Family-friendly **Havdalah Celebration Dinner and Dance**
- Sunday, July 31, 12:00 p.m. **Gala Champagne Luncheon** at the Bay View Country Club. \$50 per person. Please help us reach our next one hundred twenty years with a sponsorship.
 - \$5000: Founders, 1896 (up to eight tickets)
 - \$2500: Building, 1911 (up to six tickets)
 - \$1000: Rabbinic, 1925 (up to four tickets)
 - \$250: Renovation, 2006 (up to two tickets)

If you have any pictures of the temple that can be included in the multimedia presentation, email them to efreedland@hotmail.com Please R.S.V.P. by July 1st.



July Events

- Fri., July 1, 7 p.m. – **Shabbat Services**
- Sun., July 3, 10 a.m. – **Lunch and Learn**
- Wed., July 6 – **Rosh Chodesh**
- Fri., July 8, 7 p.m. – **Shabbat Services**
- Sun., July 10, 10 a.m. – **Lunch and Learn**
- Fri., June 15 – **Baby Naming Ceremony**
- Fri., July 15, 7 p.m. – **Shabbat Services**
- Sun., July 17, 10 a.m. – **Lunch and Learn**
- Fri., July 22, 7 p.m. – **Shabbat Services**
- Sat., July 23, 7:30 p.m. – **Havdalah Services**
- Sun., July 24, 10 a.m. – **Lunch and Learn**
- Fri., July 29, 7 p.m. – **Shabbat Services**
- Sat., July 30, 6:30 p.m. – **Potluck Dinner**
- Sat., July 30, 7:30 p.m. – **Havdalah Services**
- Sun., July 31, 12 p.m. – **Champagne Lunch**

Challenge Grant Ends

The temple would like to thank all who donated to the Siddur Challenge Grant, which is coming to a close. Hal and Gail Willens have announced that they will fund twenty High Holiday Siddurs.

In the coming weeks, forty new High Holy Day Siddurs will be purchased and will be available for Rosh Hashanah.

Temple B'nai Israel will continue to accept donations for siddurs and commentaries.

Rabbinic Fund Drive

As we ready for Rav Maya's and Menachem's stay with our temple, we are reminded that it is possible to enjoy their stay due to the generous support of our many donors, including individuals and the Ravitz Foundation. We are still accepting donations for the Rabbinic Fund, to ensure the possibility of future visits.

"History," cont'd from p. 1


The temple was founded in 1896, when the Rosenthal family and a handful of other Jewish merchants established the Hebrew Benevolent Association to provide Shabbat services, children's religious education, and burial services. (The current name was adopted in 1909, while the current residence was purchased in 1911.)

The temple's evolution has included renovations throughout the decades. The adjacent rabbi house was acquired in 1995, and a few years later the next-door house was razed to make room for the social hall.

B'nai Israel became a reform temple in 1920. When the congregation needed a summer rabbi, the Reform Rabbinic College's Student Rabbi Outreach Program was established in 1925. It has since become an integral part of many small town Jewish communities and a vital component in the education of reform rabbis.

The 120th anniversary commemoration will take place from July 29 to 31. (see p. 1 for more). All are invited to join in this joyous celebration of Temple B'nai Israel's history and its bright future.

Donations Received

<p><u>Perpetual Kaddish Fund</u></p> <p>Charles & Barbara Glueck—<i>in memory of</i> <i>Helen Glueck</i></p>	<p><u>General Fund</u></p> <p>Hank & Anita Schneider Louis & Patty Beck Gus & Rosanne Paz—<i>in honor of Max Meyerson's graduation and Elizabeth Wise's Bat Mitzvah</i></p>
<p><u>120th Anniv. Celebration</u></p> <p>Isaac & Lindsey Kaufman Rabbi Stanley Garfein Thomas Johnson & Valerie Meyerson Robert & Annie Choehn Elizabeth Frey The Minkin Family Foundation Rabbi Richard & Susan Rhein Harold & Gail Willens Rabbi Harvey Winokur Marvin & Marci Shulman Gloria Levine</p>	<p><u>Rabbinic Fund</u></p> <p>Myra White Franklin & Judith Kasle Stanley & Lee Katlein Howard Reznick Edward Levy & Linda Dresner Levy Elizabeth Frey Richard & Sally Krugel Joel & Linda Beren Ronald & Joyce Erkis Joseph Wildberg & Carol Ellstein Melvin Lester Kenneth & Lori Rudman Julian & Carol Magnus Henry & Anita Schneider Irving Friedman Donald & Karen Sandberg Keith & Laura Podob Richard & Kathryn Lenter Charles Kiefer Harold & Janice Katzman Jim & Betty Line</p>
<p><u>Prayer Book Fund</u></p> <p>Joe Wildberg & Carol Ellstein Harold & Gail Willens</p>	

Funds / Named Donations Available

- Temple General Fund Newsletter Fund
- Prayer Book Fund 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 (\$100 Per Leaf)
- Aubrey & Gerald Meyerson Perpetual Kaddish Fund
- Donor Wall Tile Fund (\$48 per tile, plus freight)
- Tribute Fund (packets of five tributes for \$90/pack)

Temple B'Nai Israel

Donation Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

My contribution is in honor or memory of:

Circle which fund you are designating (above) and then mail your check and this completed form to:

Tom Johnson, Treasurer
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For times of bereavement and remembrance, the **Chevra Kadisha** group stocks items, including Shiva candles, Kria ribbons, and *yarhtzeit* candles. Items are stored in the basement bookshelf. To purchase or learn more, please contact Sally Cannon or Carol Ellstein.






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Calendar of Events
 Sivan / Tammuz | July

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
June 26	27	28	29	30	1 7 – Shabbat Services 9:13 	2 <i>Parshat Shlach</i>
3 10 a.m. – Lunch and Learn	4	5	6 <i>Rosh Chodesh</i>	7	8 7 – Shabbat Services 9:11 	9 <i>Parshat Korach</i>
10 10 a.m. – Lunch and Learn	11	12	13	14	15 <i>Baby Naming Ceremony</i> 7 – Shabbat Services 9:06 	16 <i>Parshat Chukat</i>
17 10 a.m. – Lunch and Learn	18	19	20	21	22 7 – Shabbat Services 9:00 	23 <i>Parshat Balak</i> 7 – Havdalah Service
24 10 a.m. – Lunch and Learn 31 12 p.m. – Champagne Luncheon	25	26	27	28	29 7 – Shabbat Services 8:52 	30 <i>Parshat Pinchas</i> 6:30 – Potluck Dinner 7:30 – Havdalah Service, 120th Anniv.