TEMPLE BETH EL

Fall River, Massachusetts

86th Year October 2013 Tishri/Cheshvan 5774 No. 2

Regular Service Schedule

Morning Minyan (Monday & Thursday)	8:00	am
Friday Evening Services	5:30	pm
Shabbat Morning Services	10:00	am

Official Clergy Installation

Sunday, October 20th 3:00 pm Temple Beth El Sanctuary

Please plan to join us in the sanctuary to commemorate the official installation of our spiritual leaders, Rabbi Mark Elber and Cantor Shoshana Brown.

Special Guests:

(Mentors of Rabbi Elber & Cantor Brown):
Rabbi Sami Barth
Rabbi Leila Gal Berner
Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus

Special Musical Guests:

Amy Attias, Violinist
Dena Ressler, Klezmer Clarinetist
Akiva Wharton, Percussionist

It promises to be an interesting, entertaining and festive event. Please plan to join us as we show our support and celebrate this very special occasion with our new spiritual leaders.

Light refreshments will be served.

Sharing the Sukkah

This year's Sukkah was filled with children as Cantor Shoshana explained the history of the Sukkah and sang songs with each of the many classes in the school. The children sang along and had many questions, and seemed to enjoy every minute of their special "field trip."





"With a quack-quack here and a quack-quack there..."

A message from our Spiritual Leader, Rabbi Mark Elber

Fall is with us. There's a slight and refreshing chill in the air as we sit in our Sukkah. The Yamim Nora'im (the Days of Awe – Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur) are behind us. During those most powerful days of the year while standing on the Bimah looking out on the sanctuary, I saw our community in its fullest expression. It was such a pleasure to be able to enjoy the majesty of Temple Beth El's sanctuary and see many seats filled. I was particularly surprised and pleased to see how many people remained through the Ma'ariv (evening) service at the conclusion of Yom Kippur. As I've said before, we hope that our community will grow not merely in numbers, but in active participation.

We already see some encouraging signs stirring among us. Our first Bat Mitzvah in many years will be celebrated next summer. I would like to train other congregants to read Torah and Haftarah and have that be a regular feature of our Shabbat morning service. We can either pursue that goal in a class format or individually. If you are interested, please contact the Temple office. We are starting a Hebrew language skills class on Thursday mornings beginning in October to complement our Monday morning adult education classes. Everyone is welcome. Our goal is to explore the riches of our Tradition together and to grow as a community through shared study and communal celebration. We have been printing out transliterations of Hebrew prayers and songs that are part of our Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat services and plan to continue to add to it - while preparing more transliterations for next year's High Holidays. The more voices joining together during our services, the more each of us will experience the joy of community. Our role as clergy is to empower others, not to perform for others.

With Simchat Torah on Friday September 27, we finished the annual Torah reading cycle and started it again that very day. The first few Torah portions speak of beginnings – the beginning of the universe, the beginning of humanity, the beginning of the Jewish people. Every year we read these sections – and, hopefully, every year, as we grow as individuals, we discover something new in these readings. As our circumstances change, we can bring new insights into the same readings. Personally, for example, the third portion of Genesis, *Lekh Lekha*, is particularly poignant to me. The Eternal One tells Avraham (whose name is originally Avram – which literally means "great" or "high" father) to leave all that is familiar to him and to go to the land

that G!d will show him. Lekh Lekha is conventionally understood to mean "get yourself going," but the Zohar, the most influential book of the Kabbalistic tradition understands these same words to mean that Avraham needs to go "into himself" in order to transcend who he has been until now. This is a lifelong task that we can all apply to ourselves. We are beginning a journey together. As with all such ventures, we can never know where it will lead us. Of one thing I am certain, however, and that is that every person counts. Each person's participation will impact the future of our course for we are all in this adventure together.

"Our role as clergy is to empower others, not to perform for others."

On Sunday October 20th at 3 pm we will have our official "installation" as your clergy. Joining this formal celebration will be guest mentors of ours: Rabbi Sami Barth, Rabbi Leila Gal Berner, and Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus plus special musical guests: violinist Amy Attias, Klezmer clarinetist Dena Ressler, and percussionist Akiva Wharton. It promises to be an interesting, entertaining, and festive event, but most important of all, it is a celebration of our collective hopes for the future of our community. We strengthen each other by sharing our knowledge, engagement, and enthusiasm. Shoshana and I feel very humbled by the responsibility and honor of being your spiritual leaders, but even more than that we want to be your spiritual enablers, encouragers, and co-creators of the future of Temple Beth El. Please join us on October 20th as we celebrate the beginning of our journey together.

Rabbi Mark Elber

NEW FUNDS FOR DONATIONS

We have established three new funds for donations:

THE RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND
THE CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND
THE MUSIC FUND

Please feel free to earmark your donations to any of these new funds.

LEADERSHIP

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As always following our High Holidays, I have many people to thank. First and foremost, I would like to thank Rabbi Elber and Cantor Brown for going above and beyond and giving us a beautiful, traditional service, filled with prayer and song. I think it was obvious to everyone how hard they worked to prepare, including creating so many transliterations so that we could all fully join in the services.

Thank you to all those who worked to help put the holidays together, including the board, the staff, the sisterhood and the many volunteers who did their part before, during and after the services to see that everything came together. It was a total team effort, and with everyone's help the first year of High Holiday services for our new spiritual leaders was outstanding.

Thanks to Libby and the Sisterhood for everything that they contribute to the well-being and success of the temple, and thanks, too, to the Adas Israel Sisterhood, led by Evelyn Robinovitz, for a job well done on the Break-Fast meal, and to Adas Israel president Jeff Weissman and their entire congregation for joining us at our services. It was beautiful to have all of us together. The holidays were topped off with the delicious Simchat Torah supper, which Norm and Anita Bolski hosted and cooked.

Thank to Annie Chavenson and all those who donated to the Flower Fund, as well as to Rick Schwartz for donating many chrysanthemums. The flowers are yet another reminder of how special our High Holidays are, and they were gorgeous this year.

My condolences to all those who lost someone special over the past year, and best wishes to those who are ailing. We will keep you in our prayers. Please call the office if you would like a clergy visit.

Please plan to come to the Installation for the Rabbi and Cantor on October 20th at 3 pm. It will be a very special event, filled with speakers and music.

> Steve Silverman President



Sisterhood President's Message

It is now October and Fall is upon us. This is a beautiful time of year here in New England. Apples, pumpkins and lots of cinnamon are indicative of this season. I hope we have a long one. This is also the time our snow birds begin to migrate to warmer shores. I wish all of you a safe and healthy winter. We'll see you in the spring.

I want to thank our clergy for the lovely job they did with our High Holiday services. Rabbi Mark and Cantor Shoshana worked very hard to include all of us in them, both spiritually and actively.

I would also like to thank the ladies of the Adas Israel sisterhood for the lovely "break the fast" they treated us to. President Evelyn Rabinovitz, along with her helpers, Jackie Gedacht, Beverly Solup, Joan Feldman, Gladys Rosofsky and George Haire did a great job.

I would also like to thank Norm and Anita Bolski for hosting our Simchat Torah celebration. You folks always do a nice job.

Our book club is still a favorite activity here at the Temple. On November 12th at 10:30 am we will be meeting in our library to discuss our latest read, The Forgotten Garden by Kate Morton. You have plenty of time to pick it up and get reading. Join us and see for yourself why we have remained so popular all this time. While you're in the library, take a look around at all the great books we have and pick one up to read. See you there.

Mondays are always busy beginning with our adult education classes at 10:30 am. These are lead by our Rabbi and Cantor. They are very interesting, and you always come away with some new knowledge. Then Mah Jongg picks up about 12:30 pm. Bring a dairy lunch and spend the day.

So until next, Shalom.

Libby Cohen Sisterhood President



SERVICE SCHEDULE

October 2013 Tishri/Cheshvan 5774

Friday, October 4 ((30 Tishri)
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Shabbat Service	5:30 pm
Candle Lighting	6:05 pm
Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan	

Saturday, October 5 (1 Cheshvan)

Weekly Portion: Noach 10:00 am Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan

Friday, October 11 (7 Cheshvan)

Shabbat Service 5:30 pm Candle Lighting 5:54 pm

Saturday, October 12 (8 Cheshvan)

Weekly Portion: Lech-Lecha

10:00am

Friday, October 18 (14 Cheshvan)

Shabbat Service 5:30 pm Candle Lighting 5:43 pm

Saturday, October 19 (15 Cheshvan)

Weekly Portion: Vayera 10:00 am

Friday, October 25 (21 Cheshvan)

Shabbat Service 5:30 pm Candle Lighting 5:32 pm

Saturday, October 26 (22 Cheshvan)

Weekly Portion: Chayei Sara 10:00 am

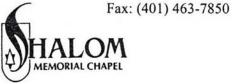
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A Special List of Thanks

- To Louis Gitlin, who once again provided the beautiful greens for our Sukkah, continuing a long-standing tradition begun by his beloved father. Herman Gitlin.
- To Sumner Alpert, Judy Barry, Harriet Grunberg, Betsey Parent and Gail Wilkinson for donating trees to beautify our cemetery. The trees have been planted and the memorial plagues are in the works.
- To the Grimshaw-Gudewicz Charitable Foundation for their generous gift of \$1000 to Temple Beth El. The funds were used to reseal the granite steps leading up to the sanctuary, putting an end to a number of damaging leaks.

Temple Family

- A warm welcome to new member Sara Lucove Dickerman
- Our condolences to Mr. Herbert Horowitz on the loss of his beloved wife, Isabelle
- Mazel Tov to Kim and Mark Reynolds on the birth of their granddaughter, Alyssa Nicole Reynolds and to great-grandmother, Libby Cohen.

Missing in Action

The following names were missing from last month's bulletin. We apologize for the oversight.

New Year's Greetings

Hummy & Bill Chebot Linda & Jerry Monchik Mr. & Mrs. Jerome S. Waksler & Family

Flower Fund

Nancy Shore, in loving memory of her parents, Barbara & Richard Shore

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Best wishes to Ann Freedman in her new home

Irma & Carl Feldman

In honor of Rosanne & Sayre Litchman celebrating their

50th wedding anniversary

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In memory of Ira Glick

Irma & Carl Feldman

In memory of Bryan Henrique

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In memory of Bert Yaffe

Judy & Steve Silverman

For the recovery of Hummy Chebot

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Judy & Steve Silverman

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YAHRZEITS

10/1/2013 Tishrei 27, 5774 Elizabeth M. Chebot Ida Leavitt Luba Twersky

10/2/2013 Tishrei 28, 5774 Sara Malin

10/3/2013 Tishrei 29, 5774 Max Gold Joseph Zalkind

10/4/2013 Tishrei 30, 5774 Fannie Bloom Phyllis Littman

10/5/2013 Heshvan 1, 5774 Rachel Ellsas Max Katz

10/6/2013 Heshvan 2, 5774 Alfred Levy Mildred Lider

10/7/2013 Heshvan 3, 5774 Juliet Ann Goldstein

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10/11/2013 Heshvan 7, 5774 Jennie Robinson

10/12/2013 Heshvan 8, 5774 Libbie Alpert

10/14/2013 Heshvan 10, 5774 Anna Simmons

10/16/2013 Heshvan 12, 5774 Betty Rosenberg

10/17/2013 Heshvan 13, 5774 Mary Gollub Lenora Goltz Eva Leviss Kenneth R. Resnick

10/18/2013 Heshvan 14, 5774 Samuel Friedman Isidor Juda

10/19/2013 Heshvan 15, 5774 Rae Gitlin

10/20/2013 Heshvan 16, 5774 Morris A. Freedman Celia Sanft 10/21/2013 Heshvan 17, 5774 Lillian Feinberg Diana Hyman Erwin Juda Samuel Robinson

10/22/2013 Heshvan 18, 5774 Ruth Lustig David Somer

10/23/2013 Heshvan 19, 5774 Jacob Brown Samuel Lechan Julius Sinman

10/25/2013 Heshvan 21, 5774 Helene Bender Rose Freedman Hyman Edward Lepes Esther Lurie Yetta Sludsky

10/27/2013 Heshvan 23, 5774 Bessie Bolski Marion Horvitz Joseph Simmons

10/28/2013 Heshvan 24, 5774 Lawrence Howard Golding Morris Hoffman

10/29/2013 Heshvan 25, 5774 Leo Greene

10/30/2013 Heshvan 26, 5774 Edward Markell Anna Zalkind

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