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THE SHOFAR



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Rabbi's Reflections ~ Rabbi Devora Buchen



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As I started thinking about preparing for this time together it occurred to me that I have been taking and continue to take more chances than I thought I was taking. In fact, life is one big series of taking chances.

Usually, we think of chances as being something we like to avoid unless the odds are in our favor. My challenge to you is to start. Take a chance on something that is greater than you and your understanding of the world and even greater than science. Take a chance. Think of G-d as parent. We exist because of our parents. The world exists because of G-D and so do we as the Jewish people.

I generally do not pray in order to obtain things for myself. I don't know what G-d is but I do know that G-d exists and is the ground on which I stand and from whom I gain energy.

When we attend services in our lovely synagogue, there is a sense of quiet when the service begins. Are you aware that the quiet space about us is filled with sound and music. There is something very real happening that you need to tune into. I feel that is the way it is with G-d. G-d is in our midst. Can you tune in? We say the prayers and it helps - but - have you charged your batteries enough to make your prayers work? We charge a cell phone every day but we don't charge our lives. Be open. How about beginning the day with a prayer - ending with a prayer. It's possible you may have a unique experience. Our people did when they had a unique experience, and that's why we are still here.

Take a chance on G-d. It's a chance that I guarantee will pay off. It will calm your soul, connect you in a new way to your people, your family, and yourself. Ask: "What does my new partner want me to do - as a person?"

Passover is a time to be together. Let this time be a new beginning for you.

Rabbi



Board of Directors 2015-2016

Rabbi ~ Devora Buchen

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Temple Caring Community

Do you need transportation to Temple or a health care provider? Please contact the office at 239-772-4555.

Area Food Banks

Cape Coral Caring Center and other local food banks in need have been getting gifts of canned goods and non-perishable items thanks to generous support of our TBS members and friends. The need is great, so please keep the donations coming.

Judaica Shop

Unique Israeli items, Yahrzeit candles, and other wonderful items are available by catalog in the TBS foyer.

Place your order during office hours and enjoy our special discount.



Ritual & Study Schedule

Shabbat Services

Kabbalat Shabbat
Fridays 7:30p
Family Service
1st Friday/Month 7:30p

Religious School

Thursdays 4:30-6:00p

Adult Torah Study

Saturdays 10:30a



TBS Wish List

The Religious School can always use healthy, nutritious pre-packaged snacks that **DO NOT** contain nuts or dairy.

Our magnificent choir is composed of congregants who love to sing. If you would enjoy becoming a part of this dedicated group, please contact Lenore Cohen at

**Temple Beth Shalom's
Ongoing Activities Continue...**

Temple Beth Shalom Library

This small space contains a growing collection of volumes for members to borrow. Please consider making a contribution. Meanwhile, take a book and enjoy!

Mah Jongg Players

Wednesdays, 11:00AM-3:30PM.
Contact Audrey Sands at
239- 543- 4288

Send Along Some Sunshine

A happy occasion like a birthday or anniversary is a perfect reason to send Some Sunshine.



A personalized card sent to family and friends can also remind them they are not alone while getting back on the road to good health, or recovering from the loss of a loved one. Your friends and family will feel the warmth of your well wishes and those of our temple.

The cost for a "Send Along Some Sunshine" card, including postage is \$5.00. Payment can be sent to or dropped off at the Temple.

Contact Penny MacIntyre by phone at 239-541-3951, or send an email to shekel@comcast.net with your request.

Connecting

Please alert Wendy Blyveis of a Temple member's illness, accident or problem. A card will be sent from the Temple.



**FROM YOUR
CO-PRESIDENT**

by

**Arnie
Schwartz**

As I look back over the past few months we have come a long way. Our Honoree Banquet was a terrific success as we gave our thanks and appreciation to our Honorees, Dr. Frank and Jeanne Lazovick, Herb and Marge Gallop, and Lenore Cohen. And of course the Silent Auction put together by Marc Nudel with help from Marcia Strumwater, Ruth Belkin, Marcia Petrone, Alan Weissman, Herb Gallop and many others along with the Honoree Booklet edited and published by Joel Barlow brought in a very nice \$8700.

I'm thinking of all the wonderful events we've had from the Sisterhood and Brotherhood's Shabbat Services, the fashion show, and the museum trip as well as many other upcoming events such as our Temple Cruise, the Rabbi's Brown Bag Lunches, and Gatlin on Stage and I find myself reflecting about the tremendous spirit of volunteerism that our congregation generates. It's because of the dedication and contribution of our Rabbi, members, and volunteers that we have such an active and loving Temple community.

While we're on the topic of volunteering, I'd like to remind you that our Annual Congregational Meeting is not that far away, May 22nd, and that our Nominating Committee is working overtime to fill the positions you will be voting on at that time. We will be electing: Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Treasurer, and Directors to lead fundraising, social activities, membership, and publications & publicity. Holding any of these positions would place you on the Board of Directors but, if you like, you can also join any of these committees to provide the assistance that these directors need in order to do their jobs. As an example, I'd like

that these directors need in order to do their jobs. As an example, I'd like to point out the to do their jobs. As an example, I'd like to point out the & publicity is a huge undertaking and needs as many helpers as possible so, if you have any experience or skills in this area, please contact Robin Razowsky or Nate Blyveis. committee that need help this year is Marc Einstein's Religious Practices committee where the volunteers help plan events and organize our Friday night services. The Honoree Banquet Committee is planning some major changes and needs people to help plan the new venue, program, and menu, and choose the honorees for 2017. If interested, please contact Frank Lazovick.

Of course, if you want to participate but have questions and would like a more complete list of our activities, please contact me. I'll be glad to discuss this with you anytime, anyplace.



**FROM YOUR
CO-
PRESIDENT**

by

Marc Nudel

I want to thank everybody for all their hard work putting together a very successful honoree banquet. It's great to have such dedicated volunteers who put so much of themselves and spend so much of their time to support our Temple family. The event was a financial success for TBS because of their efforts! Another successful event our fundraising committee has promoted is the progressive dinner, which offers an evening of camaraderie for our Temple Family. The small venue allows people to get to know one another socially, and enjoy fantastic food at the same time. Hopefully more dinners will be planned in the coming year to allow more people to participate.

The Rabbi often talks about how community is a very important element of our Temple. These events give us a chance to be together outside of our times of worship. Whether it is at the bowling alley, at the dinner table, or dancing the night away, our involvement together as a community is what will keep our Temple strong.

Temple Beth Shalom
Sisterhood Oneg Sponsor Form

*The sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom will be honored to cater your Oneg. The cost will depend on what you want to serve. Apart from the cost, a donation to Sisterhood is appreciated.**



<i>Standard Oneg</i>	
<i>Coffee, Tea, Soda, Fruit & Assorted Sweets</i>	\$100.00
<i>Add -Ons</i>	
<i>Cheese Platter</i>	\$50.00
<i>Ice Cream Cake per availability from our own baker</i>	\$30.00
<i>Birthday/Anniversary Cake to be determined by your order</i>	
<i>Regular bagels and cream cheese</i>	\$25.00
<i>Chocolate challah from our own baker</i>	\$10.00
<i>Bagels, Lox and cream cheese (per 30 people)</i>	
	\$25.00
<i>White fish spread or herring (per 25 people)</i>	\$25.00
<i>Vegetables and dip</i>	\$20.00
<i>Hummus and Pita Chips</i>	\$15.00

**As always, you are welcome to bring any desserts to an Oneg without sponsoring it.*

NAME:

PHONE NUMBER:

DATE OF ONEG:

SPONSORSHIP OF ONEG:

Please contact Fern Deutch at (239) 257-4703 or (ferntbs@gmail.com) for date availability and menu.

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**VICE-PRESIDENT'S
MESSAGE**

by
Frank Lazovick

The Honor of Being an Honoree

Jeanne and I want to thank everyone who was involved in selecting us as honorees. We both have worked very hard during the last five years for moving TBS forward. It was not what we did, but the different members we worked with. We had a chance to meet a lot of members at meetings for different activities. We also supported activities that we were not that interested in. I became involved in working the elections. Beside going to class before we can work, as per Florida Law, we put in a 14 hour day and went home exhausted. The work itself is not that hard. There are numerous jobs to be filled. Some are harder than the others. Wendy & Sharon have the hardest since both are Clerks and each one is in charge of a precinct. We have two in our social hall. Each one has a full compliment of workers. Not all the workers are from TBS. This is a big money maker for the temple, since we all donate our pay to the temple. If we can fill both precincts, then we can make more money for TBS. Some of us are getting older and this job is getting harder, so we may decide to retire. We will need replacements. For our members who are not involved, please think about getting involved. Thank you again for the honor that you bestowed on Jeanne & I. It also brought Ginny & Kurt to our home for a week. We don't get a chance to see our daughter & son-in-law except during the summer. Our home was filled with sunshine for a full week. In a few months, I will be leaving my office as one of the Vice Presidents. Four years have gone by quickly. I am happy I was able to serve.

Shalom to all.

Frank

On March 25 and 26, David Urban will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah at Temple Beth Shalom. Rabbi Buchen has been his teacher. His mother, Rebecca Snow, and grandparents Derek and Susan Snow are proud to be bringing this young man to his Jewish fulfillment and responsibilities on his 13th year. Temple Beth Shalom is proud to be initiating David as they did his older sister Elyssa, his older brother Zachary, and we still have brother Gregory coming up last, but not least! On Friday night David will lead the service, and on Saturday he will read from the Torah, and give his "Bar Mitzvah speech."





SISTERHOOD
by
Suzie Hershfield

In the first three quarters of this year, your Sisterhood Officers have explored and expanded new horizons to bring greater community and connection to all women at TBS. You've talked and we've listened -- we developed new and exciting events such as Mikvah at the Beach, the Garden Party Fashion Show and the Wine Tasting, along with our annual Chinese Auction dinner. The feedback has been extremely positive and uplifting.

So much so that we already feel the energy rising for our upcoming Gatlin concert on March 26th as it offers a fun night of singing and dancing. Also, mark your calendars for May 1st and June 26th for two more Sisterhood adventures!

We know that the more time we spend together and the more variety we offer, the more we will come together in Sisterhood, friendship and love. And that's where we need your help. We are only as strong as our community allows us to be. Each and every woman at TBS has the opportunity to play an important and positive role in making our Sisterhood shine. Let's shift focus from what you want to the bigger picture of how you can make a difference.

As Torah has taught us, Mitzvot and Tzedakah are two foundations of our Jewish heritage. By supporting and engaging in our Sisterhood family, you live in harmony with our commandments, give back and grow in ways you never expected. No matter where you are on your life's journey, there's always time and ways to grow.

As we move into the last quarter of our term, we challenge you to join hands and come on this great adventure with us! "I can do what you can't do. You can do what I can't do. Together we can do something wonderful!"



**RELIGIOUS
PRACTICES**
by
Marc Einstein

I would like to welcome 3 new members to the Religious Practices Committee, Herb Gallop, Sharon Berry, and Larry Epstein. They join Georgette Bothner, Barbie Barlow and myself.

In January a new tradition was born, A Tu Bishvat Shabbat. The service was held in the social hall. As part of the service we blessed and tasted a variety of dried fruits and nuts which represented what Tu Bishvat was all about. The Sisterhood prepared plates of the dried fruits and nuts. It was a success, and hopefully will be back next year.

Purim will be celebrated at the March 25th Shabbat Service. In place of the Sermon, the Megillah will be read. The name of Haman will be drowned out by a chorus of "groggers."

We soon will begin preparations for our Temple Community Seder in April.

Marc Einstein

RPC Chairperson

Temple Library

The books in our temple library are being sorted and organized on the shelves to make the space more user friendly. Please stop by to see our progress.

We accept Jewish-related books in good condition and large print general interest books. If you have books you'd like to donate, please put them in the donation box in the library. Children's books, cook books and novels are especially desirable.





BROTHERHOOD

by
Joel Barlow

Spring is in the air, finally! The winter months seemed especially dreary this year...El Nino? Regardless, the TBS Brotherhood has been busy. The Brotherhood Shabbat was held Friday, Feb. 12. Thanks to the organizational skills of Arnie Schwartz and Marc Einstein and to the many fine Brothers who participated, this year's Brotherhood Shabbat was the best ever.

Speaking of best ever, several congregants at our Chanukah Party, December 6, said that the Brotherhood-made latkes were the "best ever". Practice does make perfect. Thanks to the Brothers who spent their afternoon processing spuds!

The Brotherhood also sponsored the annual Temple Picnic, December 13, at Jaycee Park. We normally have scheduled the Picnic during the summer, however many complained about the heat and the flies. No heat in December, and the wind grounded the flies. In fact, the wind almost grounded the picnic! We had to tie everything down. Still we had a wonderful time.

The Brotherhood will hold its annual golf tournament on Sunday, April 3, at Palmetto Pine Country Club, 1940 SW 9th Ct., Cape Coral, FL. Palmetto Pine has one of the best courses in Southwest Florida, and the staff provide a great lunch. We are holding the tournament in "prime time" to attract golfers who cannot participate as the temperature climbs. We have set players fees at \$85, including lunch and cart. Lunches for non-golfers are available at \$20 per person. We are able to offer hole sponsorships for only \$100 per hole. Signs denoting the sponsors are prominently displayed, and a list of sponsors are distributed to players. As an additional incentive, a hole sponsor can field a foursome for \$75 per golfer for each hole sponsored. You can pick up reservation forms at Temple or you can call Joel Barlow (941-639-7293), and he will mail forms to you. Deadline for registration is March 25, 2016.

We have just completed (Feb. 28) week 11 of our TBS Bowling League. The remaining three weeks are Sundays, March 13, April 10, and April 24. Note that we will not bowl on Easter Sunday, March 27. We are tentatively planning to hold the Bowling Banquet on Sunday, May 1. **HOLD THAT DATE!** Finally, the Brotherhood meets on the fourth Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m., at Temple. All activities originate at our monthly meetings. Please provide your input by attending.

Shalom,
Joel W. Barlow
TBS Brotherhood President

BROWN BAG LUNCH WITH THE RABBI

Rabbi Buchen's brown bag adult education class has moved to every other Wednesday in 2016 from 11am- 12:30p.m.

Anyone interested please contact the office at 239-772-4555 or email Rabbi at rabbibuchen@gmail.com





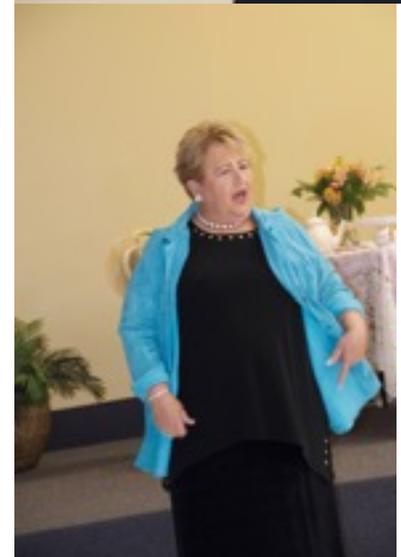
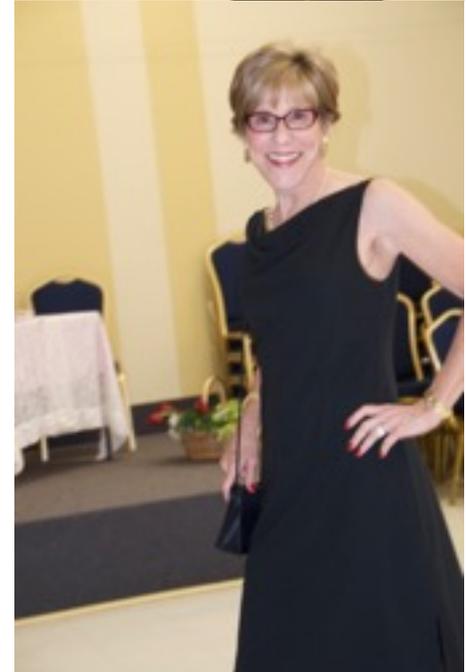
Sisterhood's Garden Party

Fashion Style is Priceless!

On February 21st, TBS Sisterhood held their first annual Garden Party Fashion Show. The premise of the event was to highlight the joy and incredible value of shopping at thrift and consignment stores. We provided beyond a shadow of a doubt that thrift and consignment stores gives you the opportunity to not only stretch your dollar but to enhance your style!

Following a light lunch buffet, five of our very own Sisters modeled outfits purchased at incredibly friendly prices. Some wore entire outfits; others combined their purchase with pieces already in their closets. A major thank you to Georgette Bothner, Sydell Brucker, Phyllis Isaacs, Ruthie Belkin and Marcia Strumwater for owning the catwalk! You proved just how classy and fabulous you are! As an added surprise, our last model was Ari. He showed that behind every fashionista there's a man who looks just as priceless!

Laughter, fashion and new friendships reigned supreme all afternoon!





**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**

by
Barby Barlow

The second half of Religious School is well underway. We are very fortunate to have Aliza Bental as our teacher. She is an amazing one-room schoolhouse teacher. It is the combination of Aliza's knowledge of and experience with teaching Hebrew and Judaism as well as her rapport with the students that makes her so excellent.

As I write this in early March, the students are not aware that they are going to participate in a special project on March 17. Gail from the Paint Escape is coming to Temple with unfinished ceramic Kiddish cups. She will teach the students how to paint their own designs on the cups. Gail will then take the painted Kiddish cups back to her store and fire them in the store's kiln. The students will have the Kiddish cups back in time to use them for our school seder!

We are looking forward to celebrating Purim during school on March 24. The students will eat Hamentashen and hear the story of Purim.

On April 21 Rabbi Buchen will lead a Model Seder for the students. We hope our school families will attend this year's congregational seder to be held April 22 at the Temple on the first night of Passover.

May 12, the last day of class, we will celebrate Israel Independence during school.

Special thanks to Ruth Belkin and Marcia Strumwater for having the Kiddish set up and waiting for the students when they arrive for each school session. We also appreciate their helping with special school events. Thank you also to the families who bring snacks for the students to enjoy during their Kiddish and otherwise contribute to our program.

The Religious School calendar for the remainder of the year:

- March 3, 10, 17, 24* – Class in session
*celebrate Purim during school
- March 31 – No class Spring Break
- April 7, 14, 21**, 28 – Class in session
**Model Passover Seder during school
- May 5, 12*** – Class in session
***Last day of class

Other important dates for families:

- March 25 -- Shabbat Service with David Urban participating and Rabbi reading of Megillah
- March 26 – David Urban becomes a Bar Mitzvah
- April 22 – Passover, 1st seder (reservations required for our congregational seder)
- First Friday of each month is a Family Shabbat Service at 7:30pm
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TBS Affiliate Judaica Store

Please visit our affiliate Judaica store which is Traditions Judaica Gifts, Inc. It is located in Pompano Beach, FL and has wonderful and reasonably priced items available. Temple Beth Shalom receives 10% back from every purchase which goes through our link.

Please visit their website at:

http://www.traditionsjewishgifts.com/cgi-traditionsjewishgifts/sb/ref.cgi?storeid=*10eb9258ae0704409f33&name=AF231-Temple Beth Shalom

You must use this link in order for us to get our 10% back. If you go to their website directly, we will not receive the 10%.

They are currently offering a special coupon to all Temple Beth Shalom members. Enter your special COUPON CODE: AF231, and you will receive \$5.00 off your orders, with no minimum order required.

For future use, you can visit the Temple Beth Shalom website and click on *Resources*. On the *Resources* page you will see a box on the left that lists *Judaica Store*. Click on that link and you will access this information.

A Prayer from A long time friend of Temple Beth Shalom

Prayer is one of the best gifts we receive.

I asked G-d for water,
He gave me an ocean.

I asked G-d for a flower,
He gave me an garden.

I asked G-d for a friend,
He gave me you.

If G-d brings you to it, He will bring you through it.

Happy moments,praise G-d.

Difficult moments, seek G-d.
Quiet moments, worship G-d
Painful moments, trust G-d

Every moment, thank G-d

Bronze Memorial Plaques in the Sanctuary

Contact – Marty Burnette Cost – \$500 and up

Sara Teitlebaum Memorial Registry of Remembrance

Contact – Nate Blyveis Cost – \$100

Tree of Life Plaques

A location where you can remember the good things that have happened in your life.

Contact – Nate Blyveis Cost – \$18 to \$100

High Holiday Appeal

These funds are used for general operating expenses.

Contact – Temple

Aliyahs

Donations that are traditionally made after being called up to the Torah.

Contact – Temple Cost – \$18 or up

Torah Fund

These funds will be used to purchase a new Torah which is needed.

Contact – Temple

Misheberach, Sunshine, Condolence Cards

These are cards that are sent from the Temple in your name (to someone who is ill, for someone who has passed, for a happy occasion, etc.) for a small donation to the Temple.

Contact – Penny MacIntyre Cost – \$5

Yahrzeit Donations

Donations made in memory of your departed

Contact – Temple

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

These funds are given to the Rabbi for the Rabbi's determination of charitable needs

Contact – Rabbi

Tributes

Tributes are donations that may be earmarked for specific established funds. They may be dedicated to some person or persons you wish to honor.

Contact – Temple

Samuel S. Beckerman Scholarship Fund

These funds are restricted to be given out each year to a student of the Temple for their educational needs. A committee of the family, and their attorney make the decision. The recipient is listed in the Shofar.

Contact – Betty Ann Beckerman

Book Plates

These funds are restricted to purchasing prayer books. The bookplate is attached to a prayer book with dedications, and any excess funds are turned over to operational expenses.

Contact – Temple Cost – \$35

Holocaust Memorial Fund

These funds are restricted for use in maintaining or upgrading the Holocaust Memorial Park at the south end of the Temple parking lot.

Contact – Temple

Religious School

These funds are restricted for use by our religious school

Contact – Temple

General Donations

These unrestricted donations are used for general operating expenses

Contact – Temple

Sisterhood or Brotherhood

Contact – Temple



BUILDING AND GROUNDS

by
Nathan Blyveis

There are 20 Royal Palm Trees growing in 13 ½ gal. pots on the dock behind my house. The plan was to transplant them to the Temple by the second week in June, when the rainy season will support them without daily watering. These trees are already taller than me, which isn't really that tall, but they should replace some dead queen palms and some bare spots. If we are really lucky, we'll save six palms for the parking lot. The plan is to remove the grass between the parking lot sections and dig down about 12 inches. Then plant the trees to replace the current ones and fill in the rest of the hole with "drainage gravel". The estimated cost would be about \$2,000. We are waiting for the budget year end to assure we have the money to spare. So hang in there; this is the cheapest, most practical solution to the flooded parking lot problem. If it fails to do the whole job, a trench could be built through the parking lot to drain excess water to the retention pond behind the holocaust memorial. That might cost \$2,000 more. But not to get ahead of ourselves, we intend to take the easiest way out. In the near future, I will replace one tree behind the wall to the south of the entry doors.....water it and see how it does, and to see how much manpower is needed to replant another 20 palms.

Other than that, your building and grounds manager is working on the back yard of the Temple to eliminate the Brazilian pepper trees, and fill in with cocoa plum plants, like the rest of the hedge. Avi is helping. Also Marty will soon join me in finishing the front of the building where the "horns" were, and changing out the old fluorescent lights in the rest of the building with 2-tube hi-output lights instead of 4 tubes.

If you have any suggestions on what should go in the job jar, please don't come up to me on Friday night and tell me. I won't remember! Send an email to wnblyveis@comcast.net. Your suggestions and assistance will be highly appreciated.

FUNDRAISING

by
Denise Simenauer

Our Progressive Dinners have been a great success! Many thanks to the talented and gracious hostesses and hosts, chefs and bakers who so unselfishly opened their homes and not only provided a wonderful atmosphere but donated all of their talents and food to make the events so very special! Our deepest gratitude is extended to Wendy and Nate Blyveis, Fern and Barry Deutch, Helene and Jorge Glocer, Carin and Lee Hanan, Nancy Swanson and Neil Marlo, Robin and Jerry razowsky and Merle and Marc Nudel. Also many thanks to the progressive dinner participants who not only had an extremely enjoyable meal with all of the accoutrements but also had the opportunity to share a wonderful evening with fellow congregants. We look forward to more Progressive Dinners in the future.

Special thanks to Wendy Blyveis and the Sisterhood for making the Mah Jongg Tournament such a success!

Additional thanks go to Wendy for recruiting and organizing all of the TBS voter poll workers for the Primary election day. Thank you to all the TBS poll workers who trained ahead of time and worked the long hours to make the day a successful fundraiser for TBS: Robin and Jerry Razowsky, Peter Simenauer, Sharon Roosenberg, Arnie and Barb Schwartz, Marc and Marlene Einstein, Barbara Anderson, Barby and Joel Barlow, Nate Blyveis, Fern Deutch, Dr. Frank Lazovick. Additional thanks to Marcia Strumwater and Ruthie Belkin who served food to all the poll workers. This will end up being one of our biggest fundraisers for the year!

Denise

LEARN HEBREW WITH MARC



Temple Beth Shalom member Marc Einstein shares his time between Haymarket Virginia and North Fort Myers, Florida. He also shares his time (with his wife, Marlene, of course) with members of the Temple who wish to learn rudimentary Hebrew. Many people who can remember Hebrew enjoy following along in the Siddur with the Hebrew side of the English/Hebrew prayer book. Mark has started a class in October that meets Monday nights to learn the Hebrew alphabet, and hopefully, advance to reading along (at least when the vowels are supplied). Marc also acts as the gabba for Rabbi Buchen, helping on the bima at services. Temple Beth Shalom is grateful to have Marc to enrich our lifetime learning.

Hebrew School celebrates Hanukkah

Rabbi Buchen joined the Hebrew School children to celebrate Hanukkah. As the prayers were recited the menorah was lit. The story of Hanukkah was discussed, and snacks were served. Thanks to Barby Barlow for all of her hard work with the children.



Temple Beth Shalom Gets Cleaned

Sunday, November 16 - Nancy Swanson's "Clean up the closet" project drew the usual suspects: Nancy, Maxine, Fern, Arnie, Marc and Merle Nudel and Marc Einstein, Nate Blyveis and Marty Burnette. Guest of honor, cleaning her own "closet," was Rabbi Buchen! All went well, and Nancy celebrated the event with a big whoop! It was about a five-hour job. During the festivities, Marty Burnette fixed the second bima microphone, and took down the light fixtures on the front of the Temple that were so-called "horns" by a local observant gentile. Now we just have to fix the holes and paint. It shouldn't take years; not even Jewish time. We just need to buy, beg, borrow, or steal a 24' extension ladder.



Temple Beth Shalom's Picnic

The Temple held their annual picnic in December. There was a great turnout despite the chilly weather. The food was delicious as everyone brought salads, pasta, desserts, etc. to share.



Brotherhood Makes Latkes for Hanukkah

The Brotherhood out did themselves making the best latkes ever. Stuart Berman and Ruthie Belkin peeled the potatoes, Nate Blyveis mixed them, Irv Doliner cut the onions and Marc and Harvey fried up the latkes. Ruthie and Barry Belkin celebrated their anniversary. A lovely evening!





Temple Beth Shalom hosts annual Mah Jongg Tournament

80 women participate in event named for Isabel Gutentag

February 12, 2016

Cape Coral Daily Breeze

On Monday, Feb. 8, 80 women converged on Temple Beth Shalom in Cape Coral for their annual Mah Jongg Tournament. Years ago, Isabel Gutentag began this tournament, and 12 years ago, Wendy Blyveis took over running the tourney, and it was named the Isabel Gutentag Memorial Mah Jongg Tournament. This year the event was held in the social hall at Temple Beth Shalom. Nancy Swanson led a posse of women who set up the room and prepared the plated luncheon for everyone. Two rounds of mahj were played, one in the morning, and another after the luncheon. Seven winners were rewarded prizes up to \$80 for the two first places, and so at least that many women went home happy. But actually, everyone had a good time and were pleased by the effort put forth to make this a lovely day for ladies from near and far.



***A “Special Birthday” Celebration for
Fay Targove
Hosted by: Wendy and Mark Siegelman***



***You’re invited to celebrate a special birthday
with Fay,
As for her age, I’m sorry that I cannot say.
No one can tell her age of course, but that’s
just as well.
Without you the party won’t be as swell.***

***At Gulf Coast Village we will have a special
matter.
1333 Santa Barbara Blvd, is where we’ll
chatter.
Saturday, March 26, 2016 is the date,
Your presence is requested, it will be first rate.***

***Festivities start at two (PM) don’t hesitate,
Held in the auditorium, hurry, don’t be late.
Have you seen “What’s My Line, 1957,
February 24?
Fay was a shining star and got a big score!!***

***There’ll be friends both old and new
Welcome to Fay’s party and rendezvous.
Please bring a special memory of Fay to share
So we can all listen while we are there.***

***So Mom, a party with no numbers, just for
you,
We’ll all be merry with people so true.
Friendship will unite us together and bond,
Please RSVP to Wendy Wand
(wendywand@gmail.com) or cell:
[301.213.9310](tel:301.213.9310)***

BAKER MUSEUM RE-VISITED

In February, we visited the Baker Museum of Art in Naples for a private, docent-led tour of two current exhibitions. The museum is on the beautiful Artis Naples campus and features lovely architecture and a Chihuly chandelier and ceiling.

The first stop on our tour was “Yves Saint Laurent + Halston, Fashioning the ‘70s.” All the objects on display in the galleries were drawn from The Museum at FIT’s permanent collection. The exhibition reflected a time of momentous change in fashion and society as a whole. Pants suits, ethnic styles, historic revivals are fashion themes these designers popularized and that we are wearing today.

Next we viewed “Naples Collects”, an eclectic exhibition that brings together 120 examples of high-quality art owned by local collectors from some of the best-known American artists of the 20th century, works by masters of European art and contemporary artists, including Monet, Matisse, Lichtenstein. Our docent, Roberta Montalbano, talked to us about particular pieces and led us in discussion of what we saw.

Then, some free time to wander the galleries and the gift shop, and off to lunch at Sweet Tomatoes.



Please join us at...



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April 22, 2016

Kabbalat Shabbat 5:30 pm

Seder 6:00 pm

Led by Rabbi Devora Buchan, prepared by Sisterhood

Buffet-style Seder

Temple Beth Shalom

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Paid Reservations: Required

Deadline: April 15, 2016 Please include the names of those you want at your table. We will try to accommodate your request.

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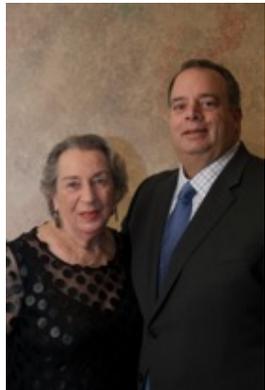
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Temple Beth Shalom's Honorary Banquet

The Honorees for 2016



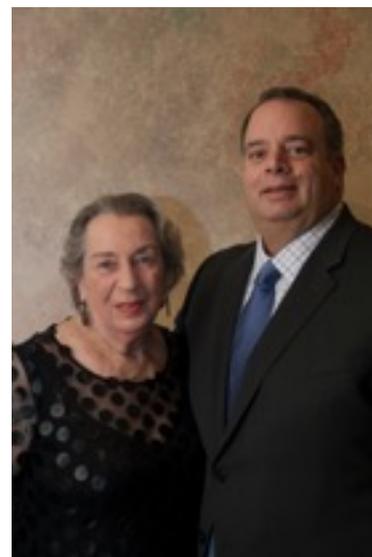
Lenore Cohen



Dr. Frank &
Jeanne Lazovick



Herb & Marge Gallop



Temple Beth Shalom's annual Honoree Banquet was held January 23rd at Palmetto-Pine Country Club. This annual event is held to honor congregants who have made high marks working for the Temple. This year's honorees are Lenore Cohen, Marjorie & Herbert Gallop and Jeanne and Dr. Frank Lazovick.

Lenore Cohen has served in many volunteer roles. She is part of the office staff, choir, Sisterhood and Torah Study group. You all almost always find Lenore attending Friday night services, and every fundraising and social event the Temple has. Friendly, and reliable, Lenore is a great asset.

Marjorie and Herbert Gallop are great contributors to the Temple membership committee. Their tireless efforts to recruit and retain membership are obvious. They are always among the first to give newcomers a warm welcome and chat with new faces at the weekly Oneg. Herb also serves as an usher and sits on the Board of Directors as Chair of the Membership Committee.

Jeanne And Dr. Frank Lazovick are "regulars" at services and they sit right by the entry door where they always warmly welcome everyone who enters. Frank serves on the Executive Board as Vice President, and helps set direction for the future.

The banquet was preceded by family and friends addressing our honorees, and a presentation gift to the Temple in their honor. Music and dancing followed the presentations, and also followed the dinner. During the cocktails and dancing, and everywhere in between, guests visited the ballroom alcove that housed a giant silent auction. So many prizes from so many donors made for a grand time of shopping, while a wheel of fortune gave out many more prizes to the lucky winners. Finally, as the evening wore down, all the people who had bid on prizes were called to pick up and pay; and they really paid well. Overbids were part of the fun in fundraising.

Kudos are owed to the banquet committee headed by Fundraising Committee chairwoman Denise Simenauer, and a host of willing workers.

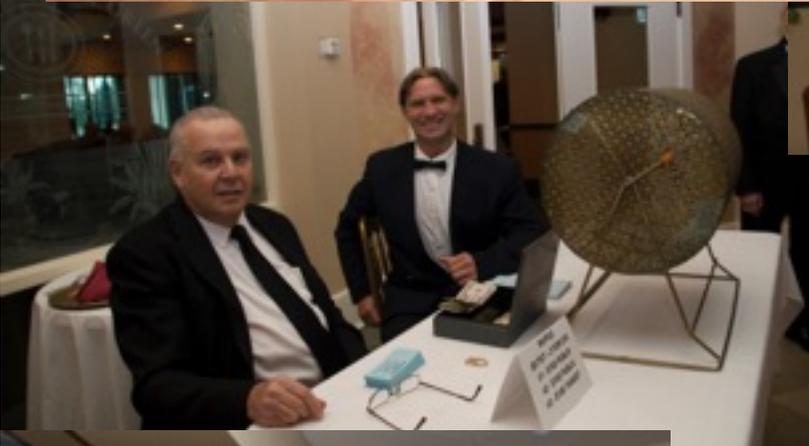
Thank you!

This is the first chance I have had to thank everyone who worked so hard to make this wonderful Honoree Banquet possible.

Let me say that I am blessed to be a member of a congregation that has always shown compassion, caring and love. Thank all of you all that you do and all that you are.

Allow me to take this time to say a special thank you to our Rabbi Devora Buchan, who has always been my friend, my mentor, my confident and also my psychiatrist. Whatever life I have found at this beautiful Temple is due primarily to her. Her warmth, her innate intelligence and her joy in teaching us the beauty of music and the love and wisdom of the Torah.

Thank you for being there for all.





TEMPLE BETH SHALOM NEWS

On Saturday, March 5, Joel and Barby Barlow, Wendy Blyveis and her server-husband Nate, and Fern and headwaiter husband Barry Deutch, put on the third and final “Progressive Dinner” of the year. This was a fundraising idea that has caught on big. A dinner that featured appetizers at the Barlow residence, entre at the Blyveiss’, and dessert at the Deutch’s. Sixteen people passed from house to house, dining and socializing on a grand scale. All three of these dinners have been a sellout, and raised a goodly sum for the Temple. It is planned to do three of these dinners every year.

March 15 was election day, and two precincts voted in the Temple social hall. Almost all workers are Temple members who donate their time for their civic duty and their election worker check to Temple Beth Shalom. It is one of the biggest and best fundraisers because it incorporates patriotism and charity together.

March 20th is the date that TBS members reserved 20+ seats to see “Bad Jews” at the Laboratory Theater. But first everyone gathered at the French Connection Café in downtown Fort Myers for lunch.

On March 26, “Gatlin” will perform an evening show at Temple Beth Shalom. Before joining forces as GATLIN, Darryl and Andrea were accomplished performers in their own right. Darryl achieved major success in Nashville, toured with stars like Reba McEntyre, Alabama, and Oakridge Boys. Darryl has been a performer/singer/songwriter from a young age and his incredible voice has built a huge fan base all over the country. Andrea’s degree in music, and her voice has taken her to many stages, including Miss Ohio, winning the award for Best Classical Talent and Preliminary Talent. She sings in six different languages and was a featured guest performer in England. She has also written and recorded on an album.

On April 3rd, The Brotherhood will hold their umpteenth “Samuel S. Belkin Memorial Golf Tournament.” This year the contest returns to Palmetto-Pine Country Club in Cape Coral. The tournament includes a 2-person scramble, lots of prizes for closest to the pin, etc., and a 2-year lease on a luxury car for a hole-in-one. Palmetto’s Sunday Brunch will be open when the golfers finish, and awards and drawings and door prizes will be handed out. To enter your twosome, please call Joel Barlow @ 941-639-7293 or leave word at the Temple office @ 239-772-4555.

A busy schedule for Temple Beth Shalom does not leave out the traditions of Reform Judaism. Shabbat Kabbalat services are held every Friday night at 7:30 pm with Rabbi Devora Buchen leading a songful, joyful Sabbath service. A warm and friendly Oneg Shabbat follows the Kiddush. Snow birds and vacationers are always welcome. Strangers become friends very quickly, and visitors are made to feel as comfortable as in their own home synagogue. Locals from the Cape, Pine Island, North Fort Myers, and the greater Fort Myers area make up the heart of our congregants.

FEDERATION HAS A LUNCHEON FOR SHUT-INS

On Tuesday, February 23rd, the Jewish Federation held a first, of regular luncheons for our Jewish neighbors who find it difficult to get out much. Temple Beth Shalom was able to provide a convenient venue for the luncheon, because of its proximity to many shut-ins. Rabbi Buchen welcomed the Federation luncheon and was pleased to be of service. Rabbi Buchen offered Temple Beth Shalom’s edifice for these monthly luncheons. The participants were most pleased, and the Jewish Federation provided all the foods and the flowers. Many volunteers worked to make this a lovely success.



Birthdays April 1st- June 30, 2016



Anniversaries January 1st- March 31, 2016

April Birthdays

Merle Nudel	4/2
Jeanette Robbins	4/3
Judy Padoll	4/3
Zachary Urban	4/4
Alfred Pepper	4/5
Tamare Gurvits	4/5
Mark Smith	4/6
Paul Isaac	4/7
Belle Berman	4/8
Arlene Elkins	4/9
Mara Exposito	4/13
Carlos Weinstein	4/20
Gerald Cutler	4/21

April Anniversaries

Mark & Gail Glick	4/1
Stephen & Arleen Hershfield	4/8
Joe & Nancy Cuneo	4/13
Herb & Marge Gallop	4/13
Marty & Carole Burnette	4/21
Joe & Gale Studna	4/25
Abe & Cheryl Heitin	4/29

June Birthdays

Abby DiLeonardo	6/3
Ted Elkins	6/4
Abigail Ritter	6/4
Nate Blyveis	6/9
Stuart Hettleman	6/12
Larry Epstein	6/13
Arleen (Suzie) Hershfield	6/14
Marilyn Becke	6/17
David Freeman	6/21
David Berry	6/22
Bruce Martin	6/23
Elyse Smith	6/25
Jenny Kashman	6/26

May Anniversaries

Barbara & Earl Anderson	5/27
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May Birthdays

Joel Barlow	5/2
Nancy Cuneo	5/5
Zachary Kashman	5/7
Barbara Barlow	5/12
Jacob Ritter	5/14
Justin Exposito	5/17
Barbara Schwartz	5/19
Robert Small	5/20
Marcus Epstein	5/22
Robin Woolf	5/27On .

June Anniversaries

Joel & Barby Barlow	6/12
Edward & Marilyn Becker	6/12
Michael & Jude Swanson	6/19
Paul & Phyllis Isaac	6/23
Bob & Maxine Morris	6/29

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Congratulations on Fern & Barry Deutch's 50th Anniversary
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