

Our Temple

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Temple Emanu-El welcomes Rabbi Laila Haas



We are blessed to welcome Rabbi Laila Haas from the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati to join our Temple Family this July. As a student, Rabbi Haas served congregations in Galesburg, Illinois and Bluefield, West Virginia. She was the rabbinic intern at Temple Beth Sholom in Miami Beach, Florida.

Rabbi Haas received her Bachelors of Arts in Judaic Studies from the University of Miami, a Masters of Arts in Hebrew Letters from the Hebrew Union College and a Masters of Education Administration with a Specialization in Jewish Education from Xavier University. She grew up in Miami Beach where her father serves as Cantor of Temple Beth Sholom.

She spent virtually every summer traveling throughout the Land of Israel. Laila is an avid college football fan, enjoys playing tennis and spending time with family and friends. Rabbi Haas is passionate about Judaism, Jewish education and congregational life, and we are excited to welcome her into our warm and loving community.

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Please remember Temple's Endowment Fund in your estate plans, and let us know when you do this.

OUR SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

JUNE SHABBAT SERVICES

FRIDAY, 6/3

5:40p.m.

Shabbat Service

BirthDay Blessing for June

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

SATURDAY, 6/4

10:30a.m.

Shabbat Service

B'not Mitzvah of

Sarah & Rebecca Michel

(childcare provided for children
ages 18 months to 5 years)

Torah Portion:

Naso

(Numbers 4:21-26, 34-40)

FRIDAY, 6/10

5:00p.m.

Early Bird Oneg

5:40p.m.

Shabbat Service

Annual Congregational Meeting

Farewell to Hausman-Weiss Family

(childcare provided for children
ages 18 months to 5 years)

SATURDAY, 6/11

10:30a.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Torah Portion:

B'ha-alotcha

(Numbers 8:1-12:16)

FRIDAY, 6/17

5:40p.m.

Shabbat Service

Anniversary Blessing for June

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

SATURDAY, 6/18

10:30a.m.

Shabbat Service

Gadsden Dedication and Luncheon

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Torah Portion:

Sh'lach L'cha

(Numbers 13:1-15:41)

FRIDAY, 6/24

5:40p.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

SATURDAY, 6/25

10:30a.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Torah Portion:

Korach

(Numbers 16:1-18:32)

All services are webcast at: www.ourtemple.org

Making Sense of Torah

Experiencing Sinai through visual, tangible, aural, aromatic and delicious ways!

And Moses said: *"For this commandment which I command you this day is not too hard for you, nor too remote.*

It is not in heaven, that you should say: 'who will go up for us to heaven and bring it down to us, that we may do it?' nor is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'who will cross the sea for us and bring it over to us, that we may do it?' No, it is very near to you, in your mouth and in your heart, and you can do it."

Join us for
SHAVUOT



Please join us on **Wednesday, June 8**, beginning at 5:45p.m. for our special Shavuot Service Followed by kosher dairy dinner and program. (Dinner: \$10/adults, \$5/children 12 & under.)

RSVP for dinner to Fran Marlow at events@ourtemple.org or 933-8037, ext. 244.

Childcare needs, please contact Cathy Moore at templetots@ourtemple.org or 933-5907.

JULY SHABBAT SERVICES

FRIDAY, 7/1

5:40p.m.

Shabbat Service

BirthDay Blessing for July

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

SATURDAY, 7/2

10:30a.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Torah Portion:

Chukat

(Numbers 19:1-22:1)

FRIDAY, 7/8

5:40p.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

SATURDAY, 7/9

10:30a.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Torah Portion:

Balak

(Numbers 22:2-25:9)

FRIDAY, 7/15

5:40p.m.

Shabbat Service

Anniversary Blessing for July

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

SATURDAY, 7/16

10:30a.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Torah Portion:

Pinchas

(Numbers 25:10-30:1)

FRIDAY, 7/22

5:40p.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

SATURDAY, 7/23

10:30a.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Torah Portion:

Matot

(Numbers 30:2-32:42)

FRIDAY, 7/29

5:40p.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

SATURDAY, 7/30

10:30a.m.

Shabbat Service

(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Torah Portion:

Mas'ei

(Numbers 33:1-36:13)

A Note from Rabbi Miller: Gratitude & Respect to our Outgoing President



It is my privilege to offer my deepest gratitude to our outgoing Temple President, **Mackie Horowitz**. These past two years have been remarkable, and our successes under her leadership will pave the way for us to be much stronger as a congregation in the years to come.

Here are the highlight reels of our Temple's successes over the past two years, each of which has been absolutely extraordinary.

And in large part, we have Mackie's leadership to thank for where we are today.

1. Temple Emanu-El has passed two balanced budgets, trimmed expenses, maintained programming, and added significant dollars to our reserves and capital improvements fund accounts. During this time, and over a period of four years, we have not raised dues from our congregation.
2. We celebrated the 10th anniversary of **Cantor Jessica Roskin** and **Rabbi Scott Hausman-Weiss** at Temple.
3. We dedicated our new siddur, **T'rumot HaLev (Offerings of the Heart)**, our Temple Emanu-El Prayer Book.
4. Temple Emanu-El celebrated my 20 year anniversary.
5. Temple Emanu-El has opened its doors to the Food Fair and Dancing With Our Stars—both of which were tremendous successes.
6. Mackie walked us through Rabbi Scott Hausman-Weiss' departure to the arrival of **Rabbi Laila Haas**.
7. Mackie has prepared us for next year's strategic visioning program.
8. At a time when our national movement reports declining participation in synagogues nationwide, Temple Emanu-El has grown the numbers of people we serve and welcome.
9. We established the "Giving Tree Fund" to help members of our Temple who are facing difficult financial circumstances.
10. We have incorporated Temple Beth Israel of Gadsden into our Temple Family.

Over two years, any one of these singular accomplishments would be in itself *dayeinu*, enough to say "job well done!" Compound these accomplishments upon each other, and we can see how well we have done. And to add to her credit, she helped us achieve our potential through the difficult financial challenges of the great recession.

Personally, I want to speak to you about Mackie. She is a grandmother who works full time. She is a busy professional woman. Yet, Mackie never said "no" to the tasks and challenges we faced as a congregation. She served with a unique combination of wisdom and dedication and effort. I found that when I was confounded, Mackie could straighten me out and get me back on the way. She is dedicated to the vision and mission of this congregation as a whole, and worked tirelessly, with great skill, to get all the jobs done. And she did so with a sense of purpose and joy that overshadowed the sometimes thankless long hours she had to devote. For me personally, Mackie has been both a dear friend and a wonderful teacher. I owe her a debt of great gratitude, and so does every person in this congregation. Thank you, Mackie, again and again. We will look back on these pivotal years with a sense of gratitude and proud accomplishment!

Shalom,

Rabbi Jonathan Miller

Birmingham Hospitality Network needs you!



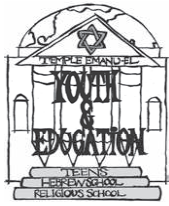
BHN is coming to Temple Emanu-El the week of June 19! We will need help in the following areas: help moving beds on Sunday morning, help setting up on Sunday afternoon, persons to provide breakfast foods, persons to provide lunch foods, persons to provide dinner, persons to stay the night, and help with clean up on Sunday (6/26). Please contact Amy Trammell at 994-0771 or amy.trammell@elpaso.com to volunteer or if you have any questions.

Already have plans for that week? You can support BHN and the work it does by attending the BHN Silent Auction. This year's event will take place at Ted Garage on Thursday, July 28. If you would like to purchase tickets for \$30, donate items or be an event sponsor, contact Kim Roth (733-1723 or kimroth@charter.net) or contact the BHN office directly at 918-0246.

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OUR YOUTH & EDUCATION



Heavy-Hearted Goodbyes and Warm Welcomes

I want to start off by thanking all of the wonderful parents, TEENS and children at Temple Emanu-El for welcoming me so warmly into this position and offering me such wonderful support. Without your help and kindness, I'm not sure what I would have done!

This past year we sang, danced, and prayed each Sunday morning during Good Morning Sunshine. Our Religious School teachers, with the help of the dynamic ISJL curriculum, taught the children about community, culture and symbols, G-d, Hebrew and prayer, Israel, Jewish history and holidays, the Tanach, and most importantly – mitzvot and Jewish values. **Ms. Amy Saab** and her amazing artistic talent guided each grade through many creative art projects throughout the year after parent/child workshops held with Rabbi Miller.

Our TEENS were given a chance to create an amazing Mishkan, or prayer space, that they revealed to their parents. With the help and craftsmanship of **Daniel Green**, our woodworking group assembled the structure. **Brett and Mindi Levine** lent us their expertise in the arts of photography and design. They then designed the



prayer space. And finally, Ms. Amy taught the art group creative techniques. Many question and answer sessions with Rabbi Scott, an important response to Christian missionizing and a phenomenal trip to Memphis capped off a great year for TEENS.

And last but not least, **Rabbi Miller's** Confirmation class studied, created and prepared themselves for Confirmation and next year's trip to Eastern Europe.

For the past 5 years, **Rabbi Scott Hausman-Weiss** has led Religious School and TEENS down an innovative, out-of-the-box, hands-on, and invigorating journey through Jewish Education and outreach. With a heavy heart, we say good-bye to Rabbi Scott as he continues his rabbinical journey in Houston. We will miss

him dearly and will never forget the amazing things he has done for Temple Emanu-El. Looking forward, we are excited to welcome **Rabbi Laila Haas** to our Temple family and look forward to all she will bring to our Education program.

Allison Haynor, Administrator of Youth & Education

Big year for BIRTY!!!

2010-2011 was a big year for the Temple Emanu-El youth group BIRTY. Over the past year, BIRTY traveled all over the region with a record number of kids from Birmingham's youth group. For every event there were at least 10 BIRTY attendees and for Spring Conclave which BIRTY hosted, there were 24 Birmingham teenagers that attended!

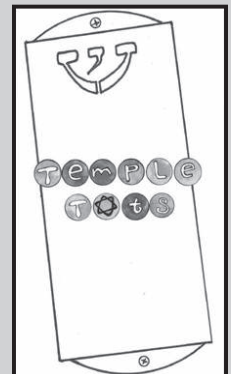
BIRTY had a full year packed with programs including a cookout, pool party, several board meetings, painting and planning days for Spring Conclave, and a few others. The BIRTY Board planned a wonderful Spring Conclave that went extremely smoothly due to all the details that they considered while planning. The event had 110 teenagers from the NFTY-SO region and the programs were all about Israel. Every member of BIRTY that attended was able to be a group leader of at least one program. Along with executing successful programs, services, and an extremely fun party, several BIRTYites won awards during the weekend! Overall the weekend was a huge success. I want to thank the 2010-2011 BIRTY Board (and parents), who made the year such a huge success! I will miss all of my seniors leaving for college; they put so much time and effort into being a BIRTYite.

Two of our BIRTYites were elected to the NFTY-SO 2011-2012 Regional Board. **Allie Garber** will be the Programming Vice President and **Meagan Collman** will be the Secretary.

Hillary Weiss, BIRTY Advisor



Above: Mr. Daniel teaches the Tots about Cymbals during music class.



Below: Ms. Toby reading to her class. They are holding their "Challah Babies."



Left: Both Ellen Elsas (top photo) and Ellen Bruck (bottom photo) had a great time reading a story and the tots loved it, too!



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD

AND

FAREWELL TO RABBI SCOTT, NATALIE, ABRAHAM AND SAMMY

FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 2011

EARLY BIRD ONEG AT 5:00P.M.

FOLLOWED BY MEETING AND SPECIAL SHABBAT SERVICE

Special thanks to the Faye & Norris Friedman Celebration Fund for making this congregational oneg possible.

A Spiritual Journey Through the Aleph-Bet with Rabbi Scott

For the past 13 months, I have shared with you spiritual journeys through the *aleph bet*. The lessons I have derived from looking deeply into the spiritual nature of these holy letters have grown out of my own spiritual search as a rabbi. I hope that someday soon, the entire collection may be available in some kind of a binding (actual or virtual) but in the meantime I thought that for my last newsletter installment, I would take a slight detour from a search into one letter and offer something



the totality of these invitations into your lives are what has made my journey here at Emanu-El in Birmingham, AL the place I was indeed called to more than 12 years ago.

That Natalie and I arrived here in 1999 with a 17 month old baby and I was not yet 30 is hard to believe. I feel I have been raised by so many of you. You have offered me beautiful wishes with tears in our eyes and it feels as if I have hundreds of moms and dads and brothers and sisters and children and nephews and nieces who have been integral to my understanding of what it means to be a rabbi. The allness, the truths embedded in all you have given my family and me, we pack in our boxes along with trophies, photos and memories.



about a few letters that speak to me quite poignantly today.

There is a Jewish teaching that the Hebrew word, *Emet*, Truth, spelled *aleph, mem, tav* is derived from it being spelled with the first, middle and last letters of the *aleph bet*. That truth is found not in one place but throughout the universal possibilities of existence. I have been a rabbi now for 12 years. I have been your rabbi for 12 years. And there is no doubt in my mind that each and every one of you with whom I have studied, worshipped, laughed and cried are integral to the truths I have come to experience since we arrived in Birmingham in 1999. The truths of human experience, how we relate to and experience God, how our tradition can speak to us, how it can sometimes challenge us but often lead us to a deeper sense of meaning, unfold daily for me because I have had the privilege of being your rabbi. Your calling me "rabbi" has been one of the most unique gifts of my life.

The way in which your quiet generosity is the fulfillment of the Jewish values of *tzedakah*, the way in which your cogent remarks are a fulfillment of the Jewish values of learning, the way in which your spring into action for someone in need is the fulfillment of the Jewish values of community daily remind me that this tradition of ours is not one best embraced in the quiet sanctuaries and classrooms of the temple. But out there, in our daily lives, where Judaism really comes to matter.

Your lives are Torah. And perhaps more than it has been my privilege to fill you up with Torah, you and the way you live your lives have taught me why Torah is God's kindly gift that reminds us to strive to become the best versions of ourselves. My love for you all runs deep. My faith in you all runs high. And forever, there will be a part of my heart that I leave in the Magic City, Birmingham, Alabama.

Today, I write this letter to you, as well as to many who are no longer here, and many who were not here when I arrived. You come from all walks of life, all parts of Birmingham, and even from a variety of faiths. I have stood in your living rooms with you, cradling your babies, I have stood with you under the *chuppah* as you exchanged rings and made promises to each other and I have held your hands as life drifted away from you or your loved ones. The allness of these experiences,

On behalf of Natalie, Abraham, Samuel and me, I thank you for all your kindnesses, your trust and your guidance. May the truths of our lives inspire us to write our lives as to become worthy of being chanted like Torah.

L'hitraot,

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH OUR SISTERHOOD?

It's not too late to order your Sisterhood Spring Flower Bulbs!!

Did you look around your neighborhood in March & April and see all of the beautiful Spring flowers?

Many of those lovely blooms were bulbs from our Sisterhood Bulb Sale.

Would you like to enhance your own yard next Spring? Just order our bulbs which come directly from Holland and are guaranteed to bloom or they will be replaced the following year!



Do you need a gift for a friend, relative, neighbor, etc.?

We have gorgeous Amaryllis bulbs in many colors and come in a gift box that includes a pot, dirt and the bulb. We have two types of pots available...white plastic or Delft Ceramic.

You can order online at www.sisterhoodbulbsale.com ...it's easy, try it today!

or...You can fill out and send in an order form. If you need a form or have any questions, please contact Loretta Newfield at 933-8037 or Kim Roth at kimroth@charter.net or 733-1723.

Order now for a beautiful spring garden!



Sisterhood Precious Legacy

Sisterhood sent out Passover packages in April to our Undergraduate College Students for which we received names. This

project is our way of maintaining a close relationship with our out-of-town scholars.

We'd like to thank all those who helped us provide these goodies for our college undergraduates. A big thank you to the following people who supplied items for the boxes: **Susan Barstein, Laurie Elmets, Julie Marcus, Judi Schulman-Miller, Cathy Moore, Loretta Newfield, Carrie Pizitz, Lynn Rathmell, Kim Roth, Kit Roth, Amy Saag, and Lori Weil**, to **Alisa Nadler** for making the labels & cards, and to **Amy Garber, Loretta Newfield, Carrie Pizitz, Kit Roth** and **Lori Weil** for packing the boxes. We'd also like to thank **Collat Jewish Family Services** for donating the boxes we used to package the goodies. One last very special thank you to **Amy Garber** for coordinating this project to help our students stay connected to TEE.

What a delicious way to stay in touch!



Sisterhood prepared Lunch for Mitzvah Day!

Thank you...Thank you...Thank you!

On Sunday, April 10 Sisterhood prepared lunch for the nearly 100 volunteers taking part in Mitzvah Day. We made sandwiches by the dozens, readied the lemonade and put out cookies, chips and fruit.

We'd like to thank our wonderful volunteers:

Lisa Bebenek, Amy Garber, Alisa Nadler, Joely Nadler, Jennifer Nemet, Loretta Newfield, Kim Roth, Lori Weil, Pat Weil, and Barbara Zaslofsky with able assistance from **Alex Bebenek, Josh Nemet** and **Matthew Horton**. A huge THANK YOU goes to **Linda Cohn** who purchased all the food, recruited and organized the volunteers and made sure everything was ready on time!

Want to Know "what's up" with Sisterhood?

Check out our pages on the Temple Website!

We have information on Board members, programs we'll be hosting, dates for all Sisterhood sponsored events, links to pictures or articles on different activities we've had, and more!

Begin by browsing to the Temple website (ourtemple.org). Once there just click on "**Committees and Auxiliary Groups**" and then on "**Sisterhood**" on the right-hand side of the page. You can "check us out" by scrolling down and clicking on the many links to let you know what's happening.



Let us know your thoughts about what you've seen and how we can make it better fit your needs!

The "Oy Vey" Café

Our newest venue for a fun gathering (with free bagels & coffee!) was sponsored by Sisterhood & Brotherhood on the first Sunday of most months during Religious School.

We had some fabulous programs over the past year featuring many of our congregants who shared their expertise/knowledge with us. In May we had our final "Café" for this school year and it was so much fun. **Debra Goldstein** has just published her debut mystery novel, *Maze in Blue*, and she shared her experience (and her book!) with us. Thank you Debra!

Be watching for more fun activities and programs coming this fall!!

Mazel Tov to Our Members!!

Alexis Marcus for being named one of the Top 14 Freshmen at University of Missouri, which recognizes the brightest leaders and community servants in the class. Alexis is the daughter of **Julie & Nathan Marcus**, and granddaughter of **Letty & Bob Marcus**.

Patsy & Charles Collat on receiving the Marjorie Curry Lifetime Achievement Award from the Childcare Resources Center.

BIRTY had a very successful weekend hosting NFTY-SO Spring Conclave. Thank you to all host families, volunteers, bakers, sponsors, parents, and teenage attendees. Over the weekend BIRTY received the following awards: "Most spirited TYG," "Most Spirited senior, **Lillian Weinberger**," "Most spirited junior girl, **Meagan Collman**," "Most spirited freshman girl, **Rachel Marcus**," and "Most Spirited Advisor." Over 130 people traveled to Birmingham to attend this Spring Conclave and everyone's help was greatly appreciated.

Meagan Collman who is the 2011-12 NFTY-SO Regional Secretary.

Matthew Marcus who was elected President of the Student Body at Mountain Brook High School.

TEE Congregants & Brotherhood for spontaneously answering the needs of the Collat Jewish Family Services Food Closet.

Haley Hurowitz who placed first in mythology at the Alabama Junior Classical League Convention (Latin convention). Proud parents are **Hope & Eli Hurowitz**.

Jonathan Hurowitz who placed first in grammar at the Alabama Junior Classical League Convention (Latin convention). Proud parents are **Hope & Eli Hurowitz**.

Honorable Menschens

Thank you to all of our congregants who volunteered so generously in April to take on various duties such as preparing our bulletin for mailing, answering doors and phone, doing filing, greeting on Friday evenings, and other projects. You help make Temple Emanu-El a friendlier and more efficient place.

Joan Becker, Barbara Capper, Carlotta Dorn, Alex Epstein, Chu-Chi Fierman, Richard Goldstein, Ilene Johnson, Fred Kanter, Herc Levine, Joe Lichtenstein, Bob Marcus, Joselle Morewitz, Loretta Newfield, David Reese, Kim Roth, Ina Russakoff, Irvin Siegal, and Debbie Wiatrak.

If you would like to volunteer for to help around the Temple Emanu-El office or in some other capacity, we would welcome you! Contact Alan Pearlman at ext. 238.

B'not Mitzvah

Sarah and Rebecca Michel, June 4

New to our Temple this year are Sarah and Rebecca, daughters of Jackie & David Michel. Sarah is an 8th grader at Mountain Brook Junior High School and Rebecca is in the 6th grade at Cherokee Bend. Avid readers, the girls have teamed with Birmingham Reads for their mitzvah project to help end illiteracy in Alabama. To date, they have collected almost 1000 books which will be donated to Birmingham's Biggest Book Drive. The girls are looking forward to celebrating together and sharing this special day with friends and family from near and far.



Mitzvah Day Thanks!!

The Tikkun Olam Board would like to express our gratitude to the amazing women of TEE Sisterhood for feeding the volunteers attending this year's Mitzvah Day. They are an energized group of women who not only enjoy helping whenever called upon, but truly enjoy their fellowship as sisters.

We are so grateful for Sisterhood's efforts in arriving early to make lunches for the 100 volunteers who set out that afternoon to work on these two special projects. The lunches were delicious! A special thanks to **Mrs. Linda Cohn** who is not only an amazing friend to all, she is also very passionate about the mission of Tikkun Olam- giving back & making a positive difference in "healing the world."

AZA Volunteers Led By Advisor Barry Dreayer & Julie Marcus

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| <i>Robert Ascherman</i> | <i>Michael Harp</i> | <i>Matthew Marcus</i> |
| <i>Jared Bloomston</i> | <i>Mack Krell</i> | <i>Seth Perlman</i> |
| <i>Michael Cullinan</i> | <i>Josh Lapidus</i> | <i>Fredrick Safyanov</i> |
| <i>Scott Godchaux</i> | <i>Eli Lugar</i> | <i>Alex Weintraub</i> |

Ruffner Mtn Nature Preserve Volunteers

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| <i>Robin & Cassidy Anderson</i> | <i>Josh Nemet & Jennifer Nemet</i> |
| <i>Lisa Bebenek</i> | <i>Eben, Sarah, and Walker Rosenthal</i> |
| <i>Callie Blitz</i> | <i>Rich, Ella, and Bess Rosenthal</i> |
| <i>Sarah & Lily Davis</i> | <i>Claire Rottembourg-Goldberg & Minnah</i> |
| <i>Allie Garber</i> | <i>David & Amy Saab, Hannah, Sophie, & Henry</i> |
| <i>Bob & Sydney Jaffe</i> | <i>Brad, Stephanie & Lauren Sklar</i> |
| <i>Anthony Johnson</i> | <i>Amy Trammell</i> |
| <i>Rebecca & Delia Joyner</i> | <i>Julie & Anna Welden</i> |
| <i>Rachel & Nathan Marcus</i> | |
| <i>Paul Miller</i> | |



Dancing With Our Stars was a huge Success! We owe so much of that success to everyone who was there and everyone who gave of their time & effort for this fun fabulous fundraiser.

Thank You, Thank You, Judy & Judy

OUR YAHRZEITS

June Yahrzeits

May the beauty of their lives shine forever, and may we always bring honor to their memory.

June 3-4

Ellen G. Abrams
Lawrence Ascherman
Bob Bashe
Fannie Bass
Mary W Bernstein
Louis Burger
Mortimer Cohen
Glenn Harvey Cooper
Loyce Coughlin
Nettie Drew
Dora Euchvitz
Mildred D. Frankel
E.M. Friend, Jr.
Isadore Goldfarb
Sidney Milton Goldstein
Rose Green
Albert Hagedorn
Minnie Handler
Dorothy Hirschowitz
Bessie Jaffe Kaplan
Max Kaplan
Robert Barry Kartus
Abe Kessler
Lillie Sarah Klotzman
Sara Krentzman
Jacob N. Leibovici
Bessie Wolfe Levine
Julian Lichter
Grace Olim Macknin
Ben Phillips Mannheimer
Selma B. Maring
Mrs. Maurice Meltzer
Maurice Meltzer
Sylvia "Babe" Miller
Harry Mittleman
Leah Newfield
Mildred Overbach
Sandra Weinstein Pintzow
Harry Richman
Jonas Rosenfield
Robert Routman

Nellie Shapiro
Samuel L. Singer
Sol Slive
Marion Solomon
Avron Spiro, Sr.
Leon Toranto
Robert M. Unger

June 10-11

Milton Abrams
Ike Adler
S. Joseph Alper
Isaac Bass
Sophie Bookspan
Ann Bowman
Helen Kaufman Broday
Philip Brodnax
Anna Paula Cohen
Tillie Cohen
Conrad Cypress
Varner Edward Dudley, Jr.
Leah Elsas
Irving Epsman
Lawrence Claster Falk
David Feldman
Pauline Hirsh Fine
Miriam Goldstein Fleisher
Bernard Frank
Walter Gerson
Jerrell Wayne Goldforb
Frank Goodman
Joyce Rutstein Gowen
Israel Jaffe
Morris Karpeles
Harry Kartus
Jack Kartus
Sybil Green Landau
Sybil Leaf
Irene Lebowich
Sol Leland
Roslyn T. Levene
Jack J. Levenson
Marc Levine

Jacob M. Levine, Jr.
Carolyn Levy
Henrietta Cotton Lewis
Sadie Lux
Aaron Mallory
Maynard Melamed
Sol Miller
B.B. Miller
Patricia Ann Morris
Raymond Oppenheim
Dave Rosenfeld
Nathan Rotenstreich
Rose Tenebaum Rotenstreich
Tillie Samen
Terry Schneiderman
Phil Seitel
Benjamin Shapiro
Sylvia Shapiro
Wilbur Silberman
Dina Silverstein
Nettie Levine Sterman
Irving V. Trost
Lillian Utschen
Clara Belle Yasny

June 17-18

Frank A. Abelson
Jacob Allen
Jacob Allen
Hellen Cherner
Harry Cohn
Jack Dorsky
Dora M. Euchvitz
Henry Feinberg
Lillian Perrin Friedman
Ann Harris Goldberg
Shirley Goldberg
Sidney Goldberg
Rebecca Zacken Goldman
Ernest Goldstein
Hyman H. Goldstein
Reuben Grafman
Carolyn Hagedorn

Frank Haver
Marcia F. Heiman
Annie Blackman Jaffe
Sadie Goldstein Jaffe
Joseph Kaufman
Simon Klotz
Alvin Lowi
Mark Lowi
Constence L. Mehlman
Helga Mendel
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Condolences to...

Family of Captain Alan Clark, USNR, of Birmingham, Alabama who passed away on Saturday, March 19. Our sincere condolences to his wife, Christine Clark, and children: daughter, **Caroline Clark (Dr. Brad Goodman)**; son, Scott Clark; his step-son David Jennings; his grandchildren **Ben** and **Anna Lisa Goodman**; and his brother, Howard G. Clark III.

The family of **Marjorie (Goldstein) Wertheimer** who passed away on Tuesday, March 29. Our sincere condolences to her family: children, **Barbara (Wertheimer) Hirsch** and **Leonard Wertheimer III (Janet)**; four grandchildren, **Gordon Hirsch, Meg Hirsch**, Amy Paderewski (Michael) and Michael Wertheimer (Illysa); six great grandchildren, Jake Paderewski, Alexander Paderewski, Will Paderewski, Natalie Wertheimer, Kenny Wertheimer, and Sarah Grace Pauler; and her sister, Mitty Goldstein Scharf.

The family of **Bessie Goldner** of Phoenix, Arizona who passed away on Wednesday, March 30. Our sincere condolences to her family: children, Linda Goldner and Judy (George) Kronenberg (deceased) and grandchildren, Adam (Iris) Singer, Greg (Pam) Singer, Jason (Nancy) Singer, Andrew Kronenberg, Amy (Steve) Kirson, and Jill (Matt) Rice.

The family of Merrill C. Leiman Dulin who passed away on Sunday, April 3. Our sincere condolences to the family: son **Scott (Stacey) Dulin** and grandchildren, **Sydney** and **Harrison Dulin**.

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May the beauty of their lives shine forever, and may we always bring honor to their memory.

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- ✧ New member recruitment and welcome event
- ✧ High Holy Expenses including the flowers and choir -- plus the security, bulletins and all it took to make our holidays run smoothly.
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Temple Emanu-El welcomes Temple Beth Israel of Gadsden



Jewish communities in small southern towns have been struggling, and Temple Emanu-El has been fortunate to help them out. Temple Beth Israel of Gadsden has closed its doors and has merged with us in Birmingham. Although we are sad to lose a sister congregation, we are blessed to welcome the members of Beth Israel into our Temple Family.

Join us on **Saturday, June 18**, as we dedicate the **Gadsden Reading Room** directly outside of the Founders Conference Room. Historic items from Beth Israel will be permanently displayed in this space and we will enjoy learning about Beth Israel's history.

Temple Beth Israel will host a luncheon following Shabbat morning services and the dedication of the Gadsden Reading Room. All are welcome.

(This dedication was rescheduled from March 12.)

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Our mission: Temple Emanu-El is a welcoming Reform Jewish congregation, engaging members in prayer, study, fellowship and acts of loving kindness to our congregational family and the community-at-large.



Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood's Women's Seder

April 3, 2011



Sisterhood Co-President, **Barbara Zaslofsky**, dreamed of a Sisterhood's Women's Seder at Temple Emanu-El. She never envisioned that the Seder would turn out like it did...

SPECTACULAR!

Although the committee originally thought that 50 participants would have been 'dayenu' (sufficient), the excitement grew and so did the guest list. Along with Temple women, Sisterhood invited the women of Rabbi Miller's Rejuvenation classes and the women who belong to the Birmingham Jewish Federation's Threads and Sisters groups. At Seder time, Abroms Hall was brimming with 125 women, both Christian and Jewish.

A special Haggadah written from a woman's perspective was prepared for the evening by **Debra Goldstein** and **Cantor Jessica Roskin**. The beautiful artwork on the cover of the Haggadah was painted by the very talented **Amy Saab**. Cantor Roskin led the Seder accompanied by Robin Berger's lovely voice and guitar playing. As the women entered the room, they picked up an orange which served two purposes. In recent history, an orange on the Seder plate represents women asserting themselves to participate in Jewish services in response to a man once saying that a woman belonged on the bimah like an orange on the Seder plate. Secondly, those whose orange had a number on it were then one of the Haggadah readers for the Seder service. This method of randomly selecting readers worked perfectly. The Haggadah included several songs which encouraged the ladies to grab their tambourines and get out of their seats to dance around the room. ABC 33/40 filmed this joyous event for the evening news.



For dinner, traditional Passover foods were prepared by **Sherron Goldstein** and her team of cooking angels. Ernie of Gus's Crestline cooked the rest of the meal and it was all delicious! A large variety of amazing desserts were prepared, enjoyed & supplied by the participants. One of many highlights of the evening was when the men of Brotherhood paraded out of the kitchen to serve the women. After the meal, 17 lucky ladies found an afikomen taped under their chair, one at each of the tables.



The evening would not have been possible without the tremendous amount of time and energy of so many people.



Thank you to: **Cantor Roskin, Debra Goldstein, Amy Saab, Robin Berger**; Sherron Goldstein and her team of cooking angels: **Loretta Newfield, Marilyn Haver, Lisa Bebenek, Sandra Berman, Gail Rubin, Chu Chi Fierman and Leah Leaf**. Our brotherhood waiters: **David Reese, Geof Drew, Jimmy Nadler, Bill Goldman, Al Andrepont, Jim Weil, Justin Ladden, Paul Rich, Robert Levin, Alan Berman and David**

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Aarons. Our set up crew: **Letty Marcus, Loretta Newfield, Kim Roth, Barbara Zaslofsky, Linda Cohn, Judi Drew, Bunny Howard, Dean Roy, Marilyn Haver, Marilyn Tanner, Alisa Nadler, Lisa Bebenek and Jennifer Nemet.**

Thank you to **Joyce Spielberg** and the Jewish Community Relations Committee of The Birmingham Jewish Federation for helping to sponsor the Seder and for arranging the evening's publicity.

We want to thank **Sherrie Grunfeld** for beautifully documenting the evening through her lens. To view her pictures, logon to the Temple Emanu-El website (ourtemple.org), click on "**Committees and Auxiliary Groups**", click on "**Sisterhood**", click on "**More Sisterhood Activities**" and scroll down to "**Click Here**" in the Seder article.

We are so appreciative to **Debra McClain** and her staff for all their hard work.

We would also like to thank **Publix** and **Piggly Wiggly** for their generous donations of food to grace our plates.

And finally, many thanks to the Seder Committee for planning, promoting and executing such an incredible event: **Judi Drew, Debra Goldstein, Sherron Goldstein, Julie Levinson-Gabis, Judi Schulman-Miller, Loretta Newfield, Lynn Rathmell, Cantor Jessica Roskin, Marilyn Tanner and Barbara Zaslofsky.**

Lori Weil, Sisterhood Co-President



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Special Shabbat Speaker Isaac Pinhas

Friday, July 1st 5:40pm



Isaac Pinhas is a graduate of Mountain Brook High School, The University of Alabama, and Temple Emanu-El. In 2006, after completing his bachelor's degree, he moved to New Orleans to work as an engineer for Lockheed Martin and NASA. In 2009, Isaac left behind his family, friends, career, and home to pursue his dream of living in *Eretz Yisrael*. In his two years in Israel, he has lived in Jerusalem,

Tel Aviv, and Holon. For the past year, Isaac has been serving in the Israel Defense Forces where he has spent time in new immigrants and combat units, and now serves in the Armaments Corps as an Industrial Engineer. In June, Isaac returns home to visit his family in Birmingham for the first time in two years.




JUNE 2011 IYYAR - SIVAN 5771

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<i>Our Tzedakah Box Charity for the month is: BEAT</i>		1	2	3 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting, Simchat Shabbat Service Birthday Blessing for June Children welcome, no childcare provided	4 Torah Portion: <i>Naso</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service B'not Mitzvah of Sarah & Rebecca Michel Childcare provided
5	6	7  שבועות 5:45pm Shavout Program & Service	8 Temple Offices Closed for Shavuot 11:00am Shavuot Yizkor Service	9	10  Annual meeting 5:00am Early Bird Oneg 5:45pm Annual Congregational Meeting & Shabbat Service Goodbye to Rabbi Scott & family Childcare provided	11 Torah Portion: <i>B'ha-alotcha</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Children welcome no childcare provided
12	13	14	15	16	17 5:00pm Early Bird Oneg 5:45pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:55pm Candle Lighting, Shabbat Service Farwell blessing for Mary Lynne & Eli Capilouto Anniversary Blessing for June Children welcome, no childcare provided	18 Torah Portion: <i>Sh'lach L'cha</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Dedication of Gadsden Reading Room Shabbat lunch to follow Children welcome, no childcare provided
19  Happy Fathers Day BHN Host Week	20 BHN Host Week	21 5:45pm Temple Board Meeting BHN Host Week	22 BHN Host Week	23 BHN Host Week	24 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting, Shabbat Service Children welcome no childcare provided BHN Host Week	25 Torah Portion: <i>Korach</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Children welcome, no childcare provided BHN Host Week
26 BHN Host Week	27	28	29	30		



JULY 2011 SIVAN - TAMMUZ 5771

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31		<i>Our Tzedakah Box Charity for the month is: BEAT Bethel Ensley Action Task</i>			1 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting. Shabbat Service Congregant Isaac Pinhas speaking Birthday Blessing for July Children welcome no childcare provided	2 Torah Portion: <i>Chukat</i> NO Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Children welcome. no childcare provided
3	4 Independence Day  Temple Offices Closed	5	6	7	8 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting. Shabbat Service Congregant Evelyn Allen speaking on "This I Believe" Children welcome no childcare provided	9 Torah Portion: <i>Balak</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Children welcome no childcare provided
10	11	12	13	14	15 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting. Simchat Shabbat Service Anniversary Blessing for July Children welcome. no childcare provided	16 Torah Portion: <i>Pinchas</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Children welcome. no childcare provided
17	18	19	20	21	22 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting. Shabbat Service Children welcome. no childcare provided	23 Torah Portion: <i>Matot</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Children welcome. no childcare provided
24	25	26	27	28	29 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting. Shabbat Service Children welcome. no childcare provided	30 Torah Portion: <i>Mas'ei</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Children welcome. no childcare provided