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### We welcome our 2016-2017 Officers:

Robert Vigder, President Marion Levine, Vice President

Alan Siegel, Vice President of Administration

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Barbara Siegel, BIW President Lewis Moyer & Roger Goldstein, Mens Club Co-Presidents

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Kathy Brooks, Immediate Past-President



Services are now at 8 p.m. each Friday and 5:30 p.m. on the last Friday of each month.

### **TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL BULLETIN**



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On Sunday, December 18, a group of twenty representative members of our congregation met to spend the better part of the day addressing the following question: "What actions should be taken to stabilize **Temple Beth Israel's** financial condition and to insure the congregation's future viability."

The gathering was convened at the suggestion of the Planning Committee in response to a deteriorating financial condition which has developed over the past few years due, primarily, to a decline in our membership rolls. I'm pleased to report that the meeting resulted in a great deal of constructive discussion and positive recommendations. These recommendations have been presented to the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees for consideration and implementation.

We owe a great deal of gratitude to the Planning Committee, and it's chairman **David Brenner**, for spearheading this effort and for their hard work in developing the data that was required to develop and properly analyze future courses of action. I feel confident that the result of these efforts will be a more stable and more vibrant **Temple Beth Israel** in the years to come.

Best wishes to all.

Bob Vigder, President



**Bob Vigder & Maye Lavinson**WOOO donates \$500 to **TBI** Leadership Circle.



### FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

Swastikas on synagogues and bomb threats at Jewish Community Centers were the topic of a local TV station's news program recently. This recent increase of anti-Jewish activity along with negative comments and actions directed at other groups gives us good reason to pause. What is happening? How do we respond? What can we do?

Without a doubt, thoughts that were inappropriate to express publicly are heard on a regular basis. Words and expressions that would get us suspended from school are not only becoming more common but are also becoming more acceptable. The swastikas and the bomb threats are clearly part of this general trend.

I hope our response can be balanced. I have mentioned before that twice I have had buildings heavily vandalized. I have had to take a position and have had to make public statements. It is foolish to ignore the problem and hope it will go away. Yes, it is easy and maybe comforting to try to convince ourselves that one nut defaced a synagogue and we shouldn't worry about it too much. On the other hand, let us not rush to the other extreme and panic. It doesn't take much effort to say that every major persecution of Jews started small. Nonetheless, if we compare the swastikas and bomb threats with the serious security issues Jews face in Europe, we hopefully get some sort of perspective.

A balanced response still demands action. I will be attending a meeting with security experts. All of us will be extra vigilant and careful. We also need to work toward making certain words and behaviors absolutely unacceptable. Let us try to defuse our differences and disagreements. May our debates be among opponents and not enemies.

Many of us thought that anti-Jewish words and behaviors were becoming a thing of the past. Many of us remember discrimination, prejudice and quotas. How, throughout history, were we able to cope with this and much worse? The best answer I can give is that we knew who we were. We had a sense of the meaning and purpose of the Jewish people and the Jewish religion. Let us not forget that heritage that gave us strength in times of trouble. Let us double our efforts to reconnect with what kept us going through the ages. May our greatest fears not be realized and may these recent incidents just be an unpleasant but passing phenomenon.

### FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Now that we have made our personal New Year's resolutions we can consider the no less important resolutions regarding our Temple and our congregation. How can we all work together to make our Temple the Center of Jewish Living on Longboat Key? How can we experience our Jewish heritage to the fullest as we look forward to meeting our friends and future friends through meaningful services and the myriad activities our programming has to offer?

Our first New Year resolution: we resolve to volunteer for the benefit of our Temple family. We resolve to lend a hand with our time, experience and expertise. Volunteers drive almost every aspect of our operation, working hand in hand with our staff. We partner with our volunteers to provide valuable services to our congregation. Volunteers are our most valuable commodity, from our Temple President to the casual "envelope stuffer", we owe them gratitude. The need for you to get involved at a level that you are comfortable with is critical to the functioning of the Temple and its limited staff. With more than sixty programs, lectures, classes, dinners and presentations that the Temple manages to run yearly, the need for your help is apparent.

Our second New Year resolution: we resolve to welcome new members in our midst with the same joy and enthusiasm as we welcome a new birth in our family. We are blessed with a steady stream of new members who have joined us seeking Jewish friends and hoping to be part of us. Our duty is to be particularly attentive to their need for community and to remember how we felt when we first joined an organization as impressive as **Temple Beth Israel**.

Should you plan to attend one of the many events, services, or a dinner, why not phone the new members and ask them to join you? When people are gathering in the lobby before entering the sanctuary for services, show your presence and become a self-appointed **TBI** ambassador. A smiling greeting goes a long way to make people comfortable. Our new name tags make it easier to approach people and to call them by name. Make the effort and you will be rewarded with new friends.

Those two simple New Year resolutions will transform our perspective as to what it means to be a member. Membership has its privileges and at **Temple Beth Israel** there are many, but to make our presence meaningful requires a proactive involvement. The rewards, then, are more than simple privileges. When you get involved the rewards become the fulfillment of the yearning for Jewish community.



**Isaac Azerad**Executive Director

### **WELCOME RABBI SNIDERMAN!**

On Friday evening, January 13, **Temple Beth Israel's** congregation turned out in record numbers to attend a Shabbat dinner and installation service for our new **Rabbi**, **Stephen L. Sniderman**. The dinner before services served the most people we have ever accommodated. Many thanks to **Nancy Cohen** and her committee for their superhuman efforts in planning this event! During the services following the dinner, **Rabbi Emeritus Michael Eisenstat** formally installed **Rabbi Sniderman**, who responded with an inspirational and moving sermon. The service was enhanced by the chanting of **Cantor Murray Simon** and the beautiful voices of our **TBI** choir, led by **Dr. Ann Stephenson Moe**. Guest flutist Graeme Sugden added a very special note to the evening, which also featured soloists Rebecca Hill, Adam Bielamowicz, and Rob Davis.

Rabbi Sniderman came to us from B'er Chayim Congregation in Cumberland, Maryland. Born in Toronto, Canada, he has had a distinguished career in the Rabbinate, having served four congregations over 41 years. He has relocated here with his wife **Corinne** and son **Spencer**, both of whom have already become familiar faces at services and Temple events. Rabbi Sniderman is teaching a Hebrew course every week, in addition to offering a class in the Michael B. Eisenstat Miniversity of Judaism on March 9 and 16th entitled "*My Road to Jewish History*." **Rabbi Sniderman** is a student of Jewish history, and our Temple has embraced his knowledgeable and enjoyable sermons and classes.

### Welcome Rabbi Sniderman! Kathy Brooks, Past President



**Rabbi Sniderman** cuts cake with son **Spencer** at reception following Installation service.



Miriam Goldfarb, Cantor Murray Simon, Toby Simon & Vera Grodzinski

### Beth Israel Women Sponsor Friday Night Services February 10: "Fabulously Famous Jewish Women"

On Friday night, February 10, BIW will be sponsoring our evening services. We will be featuring the third and final installment concerning accomplishments of Jewish women with our readings about "Fabulously Famous Jewish Females". We have done our homework and found that in every field of endeavor, a Jewish woman stood out from others in the same field. From scientist, to classical musicians and much more, we have culled the best stories. Please plan to join us. We hope to surprise and stun you. Our BIW team of bakers and all the ladies will be sponsoring the Oneg to follow. Join us for an informative and tasty evening!

**Judy Goldstein** 

### **BIW GIFT SHOP**

# ...And Don't Forget the Gift Shop

New jewelry is in. Stop in and see our beautiful scarves, jewelry and sun hats. You can order personalized stationery or purchase lovely printed stationery cards.

The holidays are over, but we still have many lovely things to sell. All Hanukkah items on our round table marked in red are 50% off. It's a great time to buy for next year.

We look forward to your visit!

### **BOOKS & BROWN BAGS**

### **DIVERSE BOOKS ON BROWN BAGS AGENDA**

February is rolling around quickly with an interesting book about Yemeni Jewry slated for discussion on Monday, February 13, 1:00 p.m. Our Rebbetzin **Corinne Sniderman** will be the facilitator for *Henna House* by Noni Eve. This novel traces a young Yemenite girl's life in a community and culture that is quite foreign to most of us. Note the word henna; much will be revealed regarding it.

March may not come in 'like a lion' but the book for review, *Sisters in Law* by Linda Hirshman will lionize the two women who broke the glass ceiling on the Supreme Court. **Carol Klionsky** will be the facilitator for this fascinating book on Monday, March 13, at 1 p.m. Sandra Day O'Connor was the first female to enter the hallowed masculine space on the highest court in America. Several years later she was joined by Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

These discussions are open to all BIW members. Membership is the qualification for attendance. Read these provocative books that are available in the temple library, at book stores, online and in other libraries. Coffee and dessert are available at 12:30 p.m.; bring a snack or a sandwich.

### **Gloria Sabin**

Chairperson Books & Brown Bags

### BETH ISRAEL WOMEN PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The beginning portion of my letter this month is one which I wrote to all of the men and women who helped with the Hanukkah dinner this year. I have repeated it here because it is meant for all of you who attended the dinner. It is also intended for those of you who couldn't come and may be inspired to join us next year.

Temple Beth Israel's Annual Hanukkah Party is one our most successful and enjoyable events! This year's event was no exception and the feedback I have received confirms my own perceptions. As I entered the room and gazed around I was thrilled. The attractively decorated tables filled by equally attractively dressed guests talking and laughing and enjoying each other's company made my heart swell. The food was delicious, the combination of colors appetizing, and the quantity plentiful.

And then there were the cookies! Almost all of them were made by our BIW members. There were dozens and dozens of cookies of all kinds arranged beautifully on plates and served to each table along with a bowl of fruit, followed by coffee.

None of this could have occurred without you. Every one of you assisted by giving of yourselves. The camaraderie of working together was its own kind of reward. Creating the wonderful events, sharing ideas, and just being with other Temple members forms that bond that makes Temple Beth Israel so special because you, individually and collectively are so special.

We hope you will join us next year.

Now to future BIW events.

Our **Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon** at Michael's On East on **Monday, January 30** at noon is an afternoon you should not miss. If you have not yet paid, do so immediately. **January 25 is the final date to rsvp**.

We have fashions by Evelyn & Arthur modelled by our own BIW women. The food is always delicious and the prizes and surprises fun. The gift shop will be displaying many of their wonderful items and you can join your friends for an enjoyable afternoon!

**February 20: BIW "Queen for a Day" Luncheon**, 12:00 p.m. TBI Social Hall.
Be a "**Queen for a Day**" with a makeover by Ana Molinari, well known stylist and fashion expert. Following our usual delicious luncheon, two lucky women who are interested in a change of hair and makeup will be chosen to learn new beauty techniques. We will all learn by watching and listening to Ana's knowledgeable suggestions. The fee is \$15.00 for the lunch and program. Please note that the date has been changed from February 13 to February 20 due to a conflict with Books & Brown Bags. **Reservations are due by February 17**.

All checks should be made out to "BIW Luncheon", include the name of the member, and sent to the temple office c/o Roz Ehrenpreis, Treasurer.

No one will be admitted at the door without pre-registration in order to prevent the overcrowding we had at the last luncheon.

Thank you. I am privileged to work with all of you.

### **Barbara Siegel**

### **MEN'S CLUB**

The Men's Club is sponsoring several exciting programs for the coming months. Please mark them on your calendars and where requested, please make your reservations early so no event will have to be cancelled due to lack of member sign up. Men's Club events are open to all members of TBI, women and men. Guests are also welcome. So do bring friends.

### **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12**

We are pleased to have the *Jazz Club of Sarasota* perform at Temple on Sunday February 12 at 2:00 p.m. The cost of this event is \$25. You can buy your tickets by calling **941-366-1552** or purchase online at **jazzclubsarasota.com**.

This group has been seen all around the area and has received wonderful reviews. It is a performance you will long remember.

### **LATE MARCH**

Spring Training Baseball Game at Ed Smith Stadium. More information will be available in the March Bulletin and in Temple eblasts. Always a favorite Men's Club event, watch for our information.

### **SUNDAY APRIL 9**

Farewell BAR-B-QUE On The Beach. It will be held at Bay Isles Beach Club (same as last year). Many snowbirds will be leaving soon after this event. More details will follow in the March Bulletin.

**Lewis Moyer & Roger Goldstein** Men's Club Co-Presidents

### **Severely Disabled Veterans Deserve Our Support**

We are continuing our drive to raise funds for our severely disabled veterans at the *Bay Pines VA Hospital* and the *James Haley VA Center*. Last year we had an urgent call from the *Haley Center* for "Trek X-Caliber 9" bicycles. Each bike costs \$1700. Temple member **Bernice Thomas** bought two bikes. The program has become popular with amputees and the Center has placed three Trek X Caliber bikes on the top of their wish list for this year.

Our veterans need your support. You can contribute by sending a check made out to **DAV Chapter #97** to **AI Grossman, 5524 Chanteclaire, Sarasota, FL 34235**. Please write **Temple Beth Israel** on the memo line.

As in the past, Bib, Post Members and I will personally deliver the gifts your contributions provide to the hospitals. Every dollar contributed will go to our Veterans. Please consider helping those who fought for our freedoms. Make your contribution while it is fresh in your mind.

**Al Grossman** 

### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

We wish you a wonderful New Year filled with the blessing of good health, happiness and the nachas that comes from many of the touching achievements of family and friends.

Our Temple membership continues to grow, even with the loss of some of our older members and the transition of some members to retirement communities. As of January 2017, we have 54 new members, which is a net gain of 19 members. Many of our congregants have spoken with family and friends and convinced them to attend a worship service or a special event at our Temple to try it out. We have had over 100 attendees at our 92Y presentations. We have many opportunities to recruit new members. Remember our goal: if every current member of **Temple Beth Israel** convinced one new person to join, it would enable us to continue offering the outstanding services and programs of which we are so very proud. Please think of someone who is not a member that would enjoy attending a service or a special event. Invite them to visit the Temple and meet with Rabbi **Sniderman** to discuss the programs that are available. Together we can make a significant difference in the growth of our beloved Temple.

We are looking for interested members to join us on the Membership Committee. Please call **Murray Blueglass**, **941-383-4899**, to discuss how you can help.

In February, Alice and I will host a late afternoon "Schmooz with the Rabbi."

We will have wine, beverages, cheeses and delicious hors d'oeuvres. You are invited to attend, as long as you bring one or more potential new members. The date of this event will be posted in the Temple weekly e-blast. Please look for it.

There are many special events and scholar-in-residence weekends coming up. Please check the Temple calendar for dates and times. We look forward to seeing you.

Most sincerely, **Murray Blueglass**Chairperson, Membership Committee

Welcome New Member
Ms. Toby Gilfix



**Sy Klionsky** congratulates **Hadassah Bacaner** on her 90th at his Bar Mitzvah reception.

### **BETH ISRAEL BIO: Judy Goldstein**

Her grandfather was a tailor living in the lower east side of New York when the union boss informed him there was going to be a strike and he couldn't work within fifty miles of New York. So Zede put his family on the train and after fifty miles they got off in Haverstraw, New York. What was terrific for him was that he was the only real tailor in town. What was bad for him was that he was the only Jew.

By the time his granddaughter Judy was ready to go to college, (dateless since there were no Jews in town yet), Judy's mother gave her consent to attend Penn State University if Judy would bring home a Jewish bachelor, and not necessarily a bachelor's degree.

So off went our pretty, perky, adventurous Judy, not knowing a soul, but determined to expand her horizons both educationally and socially. The education part was a snap for Judy, but fulfilling her mother's dream was harder than she expected. She transferred to Boston University where her sparkling personality and undaunting drive led her to a fascination with the arts. Feeling she could make it as a comedic actress. she asked her great aunt for advice. Responding in Yiddish, her wise aunt told her, "From this you can't make a living." Suggesting she would be successful with obtaining her "MRS." degree and be able to make a living, her aunt pointed her towards teaching.

And so it was that Judy ended up with a very satisfying 30 year teaching career of 5th graders. In one of those years, her class was the recipient of a letter from

Sandy Koufax, the Jewish "KING" of the Brooklyn Dodgers. How did this come to pass, you might ask? Well, our Judy was sure she would thrill her mother and her aunt if she married Sandy Koufax, so she became what we would now call a "Groupie. Judy stalked Koufax to a hotel lobby where she cornered him, introduced herself, got an autograph and some chat time. She didn't get the marriage proposal, but she did win a publication in the New York Times with her article lamenting the move her beloved Brooklyn Dodgers were about to make to Los Angeles and her class got the letter from Koufax.

Eventually Judy met and married Roger **Goldstein** and all were happy, including her mother and Tanta. Two sons, Eric and Larry, were born, and now Judy and Roger have four grandchildren: Lila, Teddy (named for Ted Williams), Hank (named for Hank Aaron), and Mikaela, (named for Mickey Mantle and Willie Mays). And did I say Judy was inspiring? Two of her grandchildren have been taught by individuals who were inspired to become teachers because of their teacher, Judy Goldstein. And did I say she was unique? Who else would have an email address of "fashionistagrandma@gmail.com"?

**Suzanne Schuster** Beth Israel Bio Editor



**Judy Goldstein** 



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Date	Instructor	Title
Feb. 1,8	Rabbi Peter Kasdan	Not Random, Part of the Plan
Feb. 2	Film	Uncle Chatzkel
Feb. 6,13,20	Rabbi Michael Eisenstat	Agamemnon & Abraham
Feb. 7, 9	Rabbi Richard Klein	Contemporary Ethical Issues
Feb. 21	Diane Steinbrink	Amy Herzog & American Theater
Feb. 23	JoAnn Goldwater	Jewish Sparks in Lithuania Today
Mar. 7,23	Bud Livingston	Jews in the Civil War, NY Baseball
Mar. 9,16	Rabbi Stephen L. Sniderman	The Wonder of Jewish History
Mar. 15	Sylvia Pastor	In the Kitchen with Sylvia
Mar. 20, 27	Cantor Murray Simon	The Golden Age of Cantors
Mar. 21	Carol Kaufman	Harold Arlen

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To register Call the Temple Office: 941-383-3428

(See pages 12-15 for more details.)

# Michael B. Eisenstat MINIVERSITY CLASSES FOR FEBRUARY/MARCH 2017

# Wednesdays, February 1, 8 at 1:30 p.m.

Rabbi Peter Kasdan

time.

"Not Random, Part of the Plan"
The Pirkei Avot is one of the best-known and most-cited of Jewish texts. It is actually part of the Mishnah, the first compilation of Judaism's "Oral Law."
It presents us with a series of ethical principles articulated by the Rabbis whose legal opinions appear elsewhere in the Mishnah. In studying the Pirkei Avot we will not only attempt to understand what the Rabbis were saying 2000 years

ago, but also try to see the relevance of

their teachings in the context of our own

Rabbi Kasdan is the Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Emanu-El in Livingston, New Jersey, having retired in 2001. However, retired is not the correct term, as Rabbi Kasdan is President Emeritus of the Scholarship Fund for Ethiopian Jews, serves on the Bioethics Committee of the Sarasota Memorial Hospital, is Rabbinic Advisor to both the Canavan Foundation and the Jewish Genetic Disease Consortium, and is the current Chair of the Central Conference of American Rabbi's Taskforce on Jewish Genetic Disease. He has received numerous awards and honors, and his classes are always filled with "return" students.

# Thursday, February 2 at 2:00 p.m.

Film "Uncle Chatzkel"

Though he died in 2001, Chatzkel Lemchen remains a revered figure in Lithuania because of his efforts to preserve the Lithuanian language during the Soviet era. He also translated Yiddish classics by Sholem Alaichem and Yitzhak Leib Peretz into Lithuanian and authored the only book about the Yiddish language ever published in Lithuanian. In 1997, a grandnephew in Sydney decided to visit Lemchen, and what he found prompted the making of this film. The film has won awards in Australia, America, England, Israel and China. Due to copyright restrictions, the film is only open to TBI members.

# Mondays, February 6, 13, 20 at 2:00 p.m.

Rabbi Michael B. Eisenstat, "Agamemnon and Abraham"

Certain common themes developed in Greek culture that had already been present in ancient Israel. Were the events in the lives of Agamemnon and Oedipus really so different from those of Abraham and Isaac? These sessions explore two different cultures that surprisingly articulate similar themes and problems. And that's just for openers! As the rabbis in the Talmud said, ta sh'ma... come and hear!"

Rabbi Eisenstat is our Rabbi Emeritus, having served Temple Beth Israel for 11 years. He has also served the Jewish community as an Air Force Chaplain during the Vietnam War, and as a Rabbi for congregations in Huntsville, Alabama and Coral Gables, Florida. A member of the Rabbinic Cabinet of UJA, he participated as a volunteer on an army base through the Volunteers for Israel program.

# Tuesday, February 7 & Thursday, February 9 at 2:00 p.m.

Rabbi Richard L. Klein, "Late Twentieth Century Voice on Contemporary Ethical Issues"

Rabbi Klein will discuss an article entitled "The Ethics of Business," written in 1976 by Leo Jung, Professor of Jewish Ethics at Yeshivah University. He writes that there is a kind of wrong doing that is neither crude nor violent, but subtle. The second session will be a discussion of the article "Judaism and the Death Penalty," by Rabbi Israel J. Kazis of Temple Mishkan Tefilah in Newton, MA. He looks at the Torah, Talmud and Codes to help us understand the progression of Jewish "Law" on the subject of capital punishment.

Rabbi Klein is Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Beth Jacob in Concord, New Hampshire. He has chaired the CCAR Resolution Committee and Committee on Justice and Peace, served as Vice Chair of the URJ's Commission on Social Action, and was recently elected president of NAORR, the National Association of Retired Reform Rabbis.

# Tuesday, February 21 at 2:00 p.m.

Diane Steinbrink, "Amy Herzog, New Talent of American Theater"

Diane will discuss the family history and work of Amy Herzog, an exciting new and prolific playwright on the American theater scene. She will share monologues from several of Herzog's plays, including "4000 Miles," which was nominated for a 2013 Pulitzer Prize for drama. Diane Steinbrink's presentations are always interesting and delightful, and we are happy to welcome her back to share her deep knowledge of the theater with us.

A graduate of Adelphi University with a BA in Speech and Drama, Diane G. Steinbrink

coordinated "Philadelphia Plays for Living" for 17 years. She also served as Producer and Facilitator of the Anne Frank Theater Project for Jewish Family and Children's Service of Philadelphia.

# Thursday, February 23 at 2:00 p.m.

JoAnn Goldwater "Jewish Sparks in Lithuania"

Before World War II, Lithuania brimmed with Jewish life. JoAnn's grandparents emigrated from that country, and she has returned several times to explore her family's roots. She will share how some young Lithuanians are making efforts at reconciliation with the Jewish community and working to preserve Jewish life. She will also show photos that she took herself at the Jewish Cultural Festival in the small town of Zagare in 2015.

A physiotherapist and Montreal resident,

JoAnn Goldwater has become an important figure in the field in Jewish genealogy.

A newer member of our Temple, we are fortunate that she is sharing her knowledge of Lithuania with us.

# Tuesday, March 7 at 2:00 p.m.

Bud Livingston, "American Jewry and the Civil War"

Learn all about the Jewish senators and generals, including Abraham Lincoln's chiropodist, the man who purchased Monticello, the woman whose portrait is on a U.S. postage stamp, General Grant's infamous Order #11 banning Jews (Israelites) from Kentucky, Tennessee and Mississippi, and more.

Bud Livingston has an MA in American History and is the author of several books. His Ebbets Field rain check collection is in the archives of the Baseball Hall of Fame

# Thursday, March 9, 16 at 2:00 p.m.

Rabbi Stephen L. Sniderman "My Road to Jewish History"

Meet Temple Beth Israel's new Rabbi Stephen Sniderman, who studied history in college and graduate school, then subspecialized in an ongoing focus on how Jews always interacted with the larger world. Particular subjects will be "What Exactly is Jewish History," and "New Visions and New Challenges in the study of the Jewish past."

# Wednesday, March 15 at 11:30 a.m.

"In the Kitchen with Sylvia"

**Sylvia Pastor** offers another one of her fun and popular cooking demonstrations which are always delicious and delightful! This year's recipe will be a special surprise. The class takes place in the Temple kitchen, and you will get to sample the fruit of your labors. Sign up early this is always a sell-out.

# Monday, March 20, 27 at 2:00 p.m.

Cantor Murray Simon "The Golden Age of Cantors"

The Golden Age of Cantors in early 20th century produced Cantors Yossele Rosenblatt and Moshe Koussevitzky, Olympian hazzanim whose voices became the stuff of legend. Cantor Simon will explore the music and spirituality of these and other greats, along with the socioreligious context that engendered them. He will also make available DVD's he produced in conjunction with the National Center for Jewish Film at Brandeis University. The presentation combines rare film footage with excellent commentary to tell about a fascinating era in Jewish Life.

Cantor Simon earned his BA in Music and Performance from Temple University and an MA in Voice from the Boston Conservatory of Music. He also attended the Hebrew Union College School of Sacred Music in New York and has served as national president of the American Conference of Cantors.

# Tuesday, March 21 at 2:00 p.m.

Carol Kaufman "Harold Arlen"

Carol Kaufman will explore the life of Harold Arlen, who wrote the score for "The Wizard of Oz" and many other acclaimed works. The son of a Buffalo cantor, his "Over the Rainbow" was voted the twentieth century's No. 1 song by the Recording Industry Association of America.

Carol Kaufman is a well-known musical historian who offers fascinating presentations prior to appearances by visiting symphony orchestras to the Van Wezel.

### **Thursday, March 23**

Bud Livingston "American Jewry and Baseball"

We know all about Hank Greenberg and Sandy Koufax, but how about Andy Cohen, Goody Rosen, Buddy Myer and Moe Berg??? How about Harry Feldman, Harry Danning, Morry Arnovich and Sid Gordon?? Learn all about these early Jewish ball players. Batter up!

Bud Livingston has an MA in American History and is the author of several books. His *Ebbets Field* rain check collection is in the archives of the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY.



Rabbi Sniderman, Installation Dinner



Cantor Murray Simon, Installation Dinner

### **MINIVERSITY CLASSES**

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# February Birthdays

### 2nd

Marlena Frank Nessa Levine Robert G. Schwartz Howard Tessler

3rd

Barbara Horowitz

4th

Ralph Einstein Joan Koplin

5th

Doris Morgenstern

6th

Arthur Stern

8th

Barbara Adler

9th

Gloria Bergman

10th

Walter Frank Sandra Marks Susan Newmark

Ted Simon

11th

Nancy Bazilian Daniel Casden Joel Feidelman 14th

Aaron Koplin Myra Sandler

15th

Nancy Cohen Mark Fishman

18th

Rosalyn Ehrenpreis Ronald Gamer

20th

Geraldine Kriser Marcie Mackman Allen Stein

**21st** 

Gloria G. Sabin

23rd

Jerome Lee

25th

Sharon Schreiber

26th Jan Fay 27th

Joel Ehrenpreis

28th

Howard Fishman

# Happy Anniversary!

14th
Norman L. & Pamela Reiter, 25
19th
Sheldon & Ann Glickman, 61

Norman & Marilyn S. Weinstein, 63

**21st** 

24th Leon & Rhoda Cooper, 65

# Yahrzeits

### To be read on each of the following Fridays:

### FEB 3

Larry Blumenthal Joseph Edlin Etta Feldman Sydney Flanzbaum Helen Galinsky Dottie Grossman Elliot Heit Bertram Horowitz Augusta Kaufmann **Fdith Kende** Jean Krum Fred Leef Nathan Lewen Martha Libien Bernat Nelson Alan Schulman Joseph E. Simon **Emanuel Steinberg** Donald M. Weill

### **FEB 10**

Selma Flanzbaum Shirley Goldman Isidore Kirshenbaum Irma F. Markstein Lillian G. Salk Louis Shenkan Robert Smith

### **FEB 17**

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### **FEB 24**

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# Purchasing Yahrzeit Plaques

Yahrzeit Plaques may be purchased at any time through the Temple office. The cost of each plaque is \$500 and includes the full name of the departed along with the secular and Hebrew dates underneath it. Plaques are placed in proximity to relatives if space is available. Members are encouraged to reserve and pay for plaques in advance.



Judith Nelson Feldman, Earl Gordon, Debby Hamburg & Sheila Rosenthal Lighting of the Hanukkah Candles

### **SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE**

Based on the interest in supporting the installation of additional benches along Gulf of Mexico Drive as a committee project, members of the Social Action Committee met with the Town Planning Division to discuss the next steps. Another meeting will be arranged with the Sarasota Department of Transportation and the Town Planners. We expect to ask financial support from local businesses. For their support, they will get a bench plaque with the name of their establishment permanently affixed to the bench as a constant advertisement.

The recycling of bottles is actively in progress under the capable leadership of **JoAnn Goldwater** and **Lois Barson**. They pick up the bottles and plastic containers to be recycled and take them to their recycling site. If you are interested in helping this worthwhile cause, please contact us.

A possible new project which involves collections of items for homeless and needy families may begin shortly. Contributions for those less fortunate is a mitzvah that you, our congregation, does so well and unstintingly.

When we have specific details for these upcoming plans, we will schedule a meeting which will be noted in an EBlast as to date and time. All those who are interested in joining us will be happily welcomed!

Happy & Healthy New Year to all! **Alice Blueglass**, Co-chair Social Action Committee

### **LEADERSHIP CIRCLE 2016/2017**

We are ending the 2017 campaign for the Leadership Circle. These contributions go towards helping our Temple meet the demands of the ever rising costs of operating a facility of our size, as well as continuing the programs and services that all of our members enjoy so much.

All donors who contribute \$500 or more to the Leadership Circle will also receive an invitation to the Leadership Circle Shabbat Dinner being held on February 3rd, 2017, in the Temple Social Hall. The dinner will be followed by a Shabbat service at 8:00 p.m. honoring our Leadership Circle donors. At the time this *Bulletin* goes to press, 153 patrons have committed over \$166,500 to this program. This list includes new members as well as long-standing members who have come forward each year to make this number a reality. Our Temple extends deep appreciation to all who have participated.

Those contributing to the 2017 Campaign in the following categories are:

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### **Judy Vigder**

Leadership Circle Chairperson



### SHABBAT DINNER TO BE HELD FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

### IN HONOR OF LEADERSHIP CIRCLE DONORS

On Friday, February 3, at 6:00 p.m., **Temple Beth Israel** will host a Shabbat dinner honoring the 2016-2017 participants in the Leadership Circle. **ALL** Temple members are welcome, and for non-Leadership donors, the cost is \$25.00.

This will be a delicious and very special dinner catered by Michael Klauber, who has generously offered us a wonderful menu, including a "Viennese dessert table." Leadership Circle Chairperson Judy Vigder feels strongly that everyone in the Temple

should be included in this celebration of support, not just those who contributed. It is well known in our temple that the Leadership Circle is made up of those who "can" give extra, but Judy wants everyone to be included in this lovely evening, when the 2016-2017 name plaques will be unveiled.

We hope to see you there!

**Leadership Circle Committee** 

### TBI LONG TERM PLANNING COMMITTEE

This is a brief overview of the Planning Retreat and its conclusions.

About 20 of us met on Sunday Dec. 18 for nearly five hours. **TBI** President **Bob Vigder** selected a cross section of **TBI** leadership as the participants. Our purpose was to offer recommendations for stabilizing the Temple now and ensuring its future.

We recognize that the Temple has a lot of good things going for it, not the least of which is our new **Rabbi Stephen Sniderman**. However, change is happening and can't go unchecked. Our membership has been declining significantly and our average age continues to climb.

In preparation for the retreat, participants were provided with reports and information from the Planning Committee and the **TBI** Treasurer including, *TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL - FINANCIAL PLAN - 2016-2017* and *A BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL'S DECLINING FINANCIAL HEALTH.* 

After brief presentations of the content of the reading material we broke into three groups for indepth discussions. Each group focused on one of three important areas, but there was time for more general discussion as well. The emphasized areas were: finance and fundraising; membership growth and member engagement; and Temple administration and communication/marketing.

During group discussion, each group developed a written list of the issues they felt needed attention, strategies to address these issues and their top three priorities for action. All the ideas were given back to the participants at the retreat so that they individually could assimilate what they learned from each other. The written lists were then combined into one list by **TBI Executive Director Isaac Azerad** and returned to the participants who were asked to rank the ideas in order of priority for consideration for action. Using the results of the rankings, the Long Range Planning Committee prepared recommendations for the President and Executive Board.

By its nature, planning can't all be done at once, but we hope to have created a road map for action. The top three action steps now, and the remainder soon thereafter.

There was strong interest in budget and finance issues (eg., balanced budgets, capital reserves); membership (service to members, growth); and management/operations (better defined organization).

Our final report of all of the retreat results and the action steps recommended are in the works and will be forwarded to the Board when finished.

### **Dave Brenner**

Chairperson, Long Range Planning Committee

### FEBRUARY SHABBAT CAFÉ

Our February Shabbat Café will be February 25, 2017 following Saturday Shabbat services. All attending services are invited to a dairy lunch and the socialization following.

This lunch is gratis, however, anyone wishing to be a sponsor or partial sponsor of any Shabbat Café is welcome to do so. Volunteers are needed to contribute a salad or baked item. Please contact **Elise Galinsky** at **941-358-6323**, for further information or questions.

# BETH ISRAEL WOMEN'S TEA PARTY

On December 19 the BIW held their paidup membership celebration, an English Tea Party complete with tea sandwiches, tea and scones... all homemade by **Sylvia Pastor** and her committee. The lemon curd was homemade by **Corinne Sniderman**! The BIW ladies really got into the spirit of the tea, with many wearing hats, some lovely and some funny.

J. McLaughlin had an informal fashion show with Judy Goldstein and Barbara Pressman modeling. Corinne Sniderman was the delightful feature speaker, describing her conversion to Judaism and life as a Rebbitzin. As a consummate lover of books, she was even wearing a "book dress!" The party was much enjoyed and appreciated by all 82 attendees.

### **Madeleine Brenner**

### TBI SPEAKERS COMMITTEE

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Shabbat Evening, March 24, 8:00 p.m.

"ISRAEL FACES A SCHISM BETWEEN ITS RADICAL ORTHODOX AND LIBERAL-SECULAR POPULATIONS"

\*Shabbat Morning, March 25, 10:00 a.m.

"MODERN LIBERAL JEWS RE-IMAGINE THE FUTURE OF ISRAEL AND THE JEWISH PEOPLE"

(Following Rabbi Regev's presentation on Saturday Morning everyone in attendance is invited to partake of a light lunch at **TBI** Shabbat Café)

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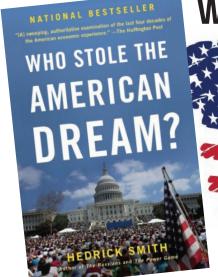
## Tuesday February 28, 2017 – 7:30 Bernard-Henri Lévy with Charlie Rose: Why Judaism Matters



The rock-star French philosopher explains how his ideas are shaped by the wisdom and beauty of Judaism, why Judaism and Jewish peoplehood is important to the world — and why the global resurgence of anti-Semitism poses an existential threat to us all. **Bernard-Henri Lévy** is a philosopher, journalist, activist and filmmaker. Among his dozens of books are **American Vertigo**, **Barbarism with a Human Face and Who Killed Daniel Pearl?**, and most recently **The Genius of Judaism**. His writing has appeared in a wide range of publications throughout Europe and the United States. His films include the documentaries **Bosna!** and **A Day in the Death of Sarajevo**. Lévy is co-founder of the antiracist group **SOS Racism** and has served on diplomatic missions for the French government.

**Charlie Rose** has been anchor and executive editor of Charlie Rose, a nightly one-hour program that engages in one-on-one, in-depth conversations and round-table discussions since it first aired in 1991. The series appears nightly on PBS and in primetime on Bloomberg Television in the US and around the world. He recently launched Charlie Rose: The Week, chronicling the best stories and interviews of the past seven days. He also co-anchors CBS This Morning and is a contributing correspondent to 60 Minutes. Mr. Rose won an Emmy Award and Peabody Prize for his 2013 interview with Syria's President Bashar al-Assad, and he was named among the 100 most influential people in the world by Time magazine. In 2015 he received the Walter Cronkite Excellence in Journalism Award, and his other honors include the Legion d'honneur, the 2014 Vincent Scully Prize, and numerous awards from the scientific and journalism communities. His website is charlierose.com.

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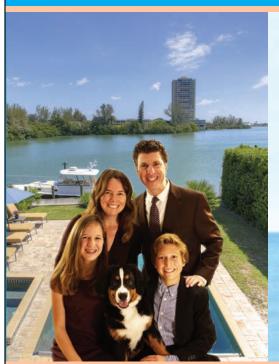
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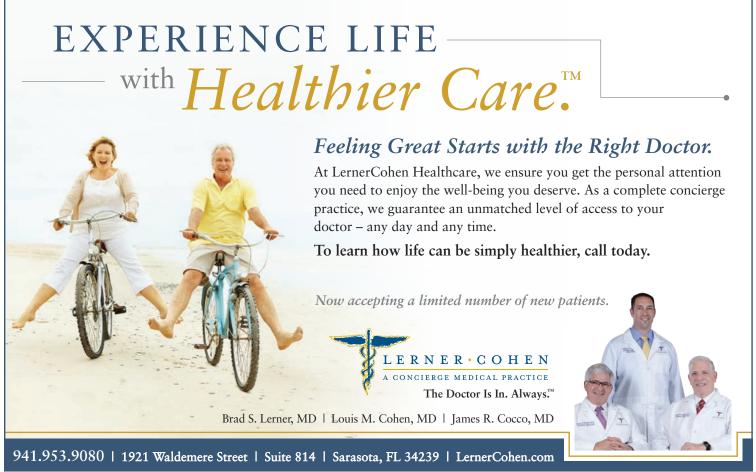
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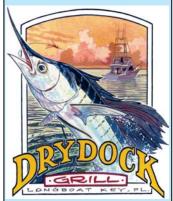
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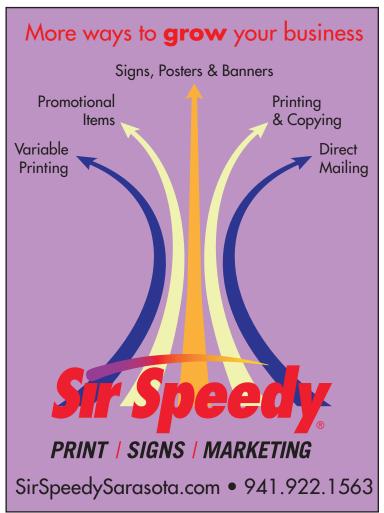
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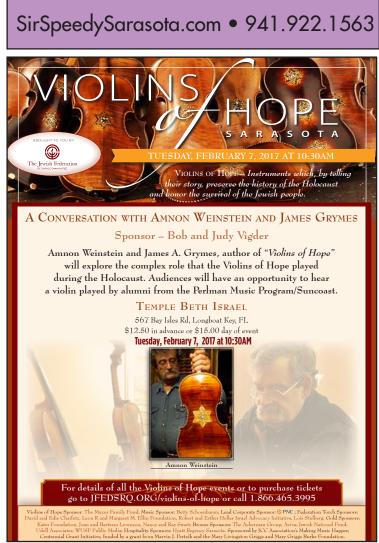


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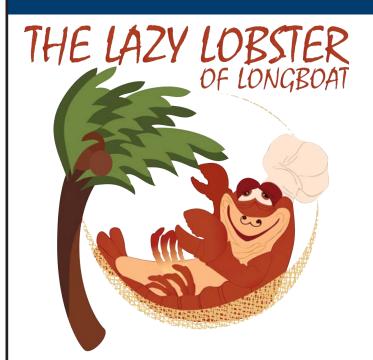


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Tickets \$175 each

# Coming Events

### **FEBRUARY**

Feb 1: Miniversity (1 of 2) Rabbi Peter Kasdan, "Not Random, Part of the Plan". 1:30 p.m.

Feb 2: Miniversity film, "Uncle Chatzkel". 2:00 p.m. TBI members

Feb 3: Shabbat Dinner in honor of Leadership Circle benefactors, 6:00 p.m. No charge for Leadership Circle contributors, all others \$25

Feb 6: Miniversity (1 of 3) Rabbi Michael B. Eisenstat, "Agamemnon and Abraham". 2:00 p.m.

Feb 7: Jewish Federation presentation, "Violins of Hope". 10:30 a.m. at TBI. Information and tickets at www.ifedsrg.org.

Feb 7: Miniversity (1 of 2) Rabbi Richard Klein, "Contemporary Ethical Issues". 2:00 p.m.

Feb 8: Miniversity (2 of 2) Rabbi Peter Kasdan, "Not Random, Part of the Plan". 1:30 p.m.

Feb 9: Miniversity (2 of 2) Rabbi Richard Klein, "Late Twentieth Century Voice on Contemporary Ethical Issues". 2:00 p.m.

Feb 10: BIW Women's Services "Fantastically Fabulous Famous Jewish Women", 8:00 p.m.

Feb 12: Men's Club Jazz Fest, "Jazz Club of Sarasota" 2:30 p.m.,\$25 pp.

Feb 13: Miniversity (2 of 3) Rabbi Michael B. Eisenstat, "Agamemnon and Abraham". 2:00 p.m.

Feb 13: BIW Books & Brown Bags, Henna House by Noni Eve. 12:30 p.m.

Feb 20: BIW "Queen for a Day" Luncheon, 12:00 p.m., \$15.00 pp.

Feb 20: Miniversity (3 of 3) Rabbi Michael B. Eisenstat, "Agamemnon and Abraham". 2:00 p.m.

Feb 21: Miniversity Diane Steinbrink. "Amy Herzog and American Theater" 2:00 p.m.

Feb 23: Miniversity JoAnn Goldwater. "Jewish Sparks in Lithuania Today" 2:00 p.m.

Feb 25: Shabbat Café, 12 p.m.

Feb 26: "TBI Celebrates the Oscars" Annual Gala at Michaels on East, 5:00 p.m.

### **MARCH**

March 1: BIW Game Day, timeTBD

March 3: Shabbat Dinner, 6:30 p.m.

March 4: BIW Theater Night, "The Leading Ladies of Broadway", Dinner and Show @ Van Wezel.

March 7 & 23: Miniversity Bud Livingston. "American Jewry and the Civil War" 2:00 p.m.

March 9&16: Miniversity Rabbi Stephen Sniderman, "My Road to Jewish History", 2:00 p.m.

March 12: Musical Event featuring Choir Members, 6:00 p.m.

March 13: BIW Books & Brown Bags, Sisters In-Laws by Linda Hirshman, 12:30 p.m.

March 15: Miniversity Sylvia Pastor, "In the Kitchen with Sylvia", 11:30

March 20 & 27: Miniversity Cantor Murray Simon, "The Golden Age of Cantors", 2:00 p.m.

March 21: Miniversity Carol Kaufman, "Harold Arlen", 2:00 p.m.

March 24-25: Kallah Scholar Weekend, Rabbi Uri Regev

March 25: Shabbat Café

Late March: Men's Club Spring Training Baseball Game, Ed Smith Stadium.

TBI Annual Gala TBI CELEBRATES SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2017

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1 SEAT

### **Generations**

by Miriam Goldfarb

From darkness they departed, Full of hope, in the sunshine, they restarted. Through connections they met, And a July '42 wedding date was set.

They lived through hard work and acts of loving kindness, Friends filled their home, stimulating conversation on the telephone. Along came the twins, and their grandmothers were also seen. The King and his Queen...

The twins grew, were a source of pride then dispersed,

The Woman of Valor at 67 expired

The Woman of Valor, at 67, expired, The Mensch moved yet to another country, And at 90 he became tired.

We were enriched by their sweet music And they continue within us. We follow their examples and Lovingly pass their teachings along.

Our children so remind us of them the way they act, how they smile And how they bring up their little ones, Who will become Women of Valor and Mensches in years to come. Nothing is lost—just transformed, and so on and on and on...

### **EDITOR'S NOTES**

Articles and photos from **TBI** members, committees and groups are most welcome. Please submit your articles and event announcements in Microsoft Word format to **packard@oakland.edu**. Photos should be in color and include the name of each person in the photo, as well as the Temple event at which the photo was taken. Event announcements requiring reservations should specify where and how to RSVP and the cost of the event (if any).

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