Temple Beth Sholom

October 2013 5774 Rabbi Elliot Rosenbaum

חזק חזק ונתחזק Be strong, be strong, and may we be strengthened.

Israel and Jewish Time

Some of you may know that I lived, worked and studied in Israel for several years.

When you spend time in our homeland your internal clock shifts around until, no matter how "secular" you may think yourself, you can't help but begin to function on "Jewish Time".

Your "American" week adjusts and changes as the entire country of Israel begins to slow down on Friday afternoons. People rush around to do last minute shopping. The open air markets (shuks) in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and Haifa sell huge amounts of flowers on Fridays. The bakeries are jammed as people purchase their challahs and special treats for the weekend.

No matter how you choose to spend Shabbat in Israel, it is clear that you are not in the minority. Few people work as banks, businesses, government offices and schools are all closed. Buses in most cities are parked as are most taxis.

But "Jewish Time" is obvious during the entire year as well.

As each of the holidays approach, the foods associated with those holidays appear in supermarkets throughout the land. Before Passover, as "chumets" products disappear off the shelves, they are replaced with "Kosher for Passover" foods. At Chanukah time, jelly donuts begin to appear in the weeks before the festival arrives. Purim brings the sale of masks and costumes as well as hamantashen. If you drive around the country during the Fall Festival of Succoth, you will find succahs everywhere. In Jerusalem, nearly every balcony of every apartment has a succah. After the festival of Shavuote, which is celebrated at the beginning of the summer, the entire country begins the lull which finally leads to Rosh Hashana.

We American Jews are reminded of our minority status in most places in the United States because we have to take off from work or school in order to attend synagogue during the High Holidays. But in Israel, the entire country "shuts down" during these days.

So, for most Jews who visit and spend some time in Israel, aside from the shock of seeing the Hebrew language everywhere and in every possible "font", (especially when you are used to prayerbook Hebrew), for many it is the feeling of being in the majority and being on "Jewish Time" which is the biggest adjustment.

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President's Corner:

My fellow congregants,

I hope that each of you enjoyed the High Holiday services, as our Rabbi has pointed out, we now get a bit of a break till Chanukah. I would like to thank all the people who helped make the services run smoothly and provide the preparation that must take place. To all the board members, Andrea, Jill, Linda Stu, each of whom does multiple jobs, thank you for your efforts. Also to Joy Simon, who is always ready to lend a helping hand when she can.

Going forward, Judy Selberg has graciously volunteered to take on the scrip program. (see the article on the next page) The scrip program has the potential to be of immense financial help to our temple, but only if it is used. It is a versatile fundraising instrument, talk to Judy and use the program.

As always if any of you know of, or encounter prospective members, please invite them to our services, and or inform one of your board members so that the opportunity for membership may be presented to them.

Shalom,



Stan Coffield



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Dear Friends of Temple Beth Sholom,

My name is Judy Selberg and I am volunteering to take over the grocery gift certificates and card programs in order to supplement our Temple income. We can raise hundreds of dollars a month if we all join in and ask our friends, co-workers and family to help us, too. The script/gift certificates are used at Smith's, Bashas and Food City. Albertsons has a card program. These programs allow the Temple to receive a portion of your purchase money each time you use the script and/or card at the stores. It's free for you and free for us! The Temple buys the script/gift certificates in denominations of \$100.00, \$50.00, and \$20.00. We then ask you to purchase (making out a check to Temple Beth Sholom) the script and use it to purchase items at the grocery store. We can deliver them to people or you can pick them up. The holiday season is upon us and I will use this script as gift bonuses to thank people for helping me throughout the year. We all can do that!

Safeway has a program also, but you personally, must enroll your Safeway card along with TBS' name. They link the Temple I.D. number (10510110) to your Safeway card number. You can do this by going to www.escrip.com and following the links as directed. I just did it and it is quick and simple!

Please help get this program up and running again! Call me at 764-3698 or e-mail me at <u>jud-yetta@frontiernet.net</u>. And let me help you get started. We all have family, co-workers and friends who can help us make this program a success again.

Call or e-mail me with questions, concerns or suggestions to help make this program work for us!

Sincerely, Judy Selberg

Yartzheits for October /November

Oct. 2013				
Edna Irene Johnson	Remembered by	Jill Fetz	observed on October	15
Henry Dux	Remembered by	Peter Dux	observed on October	24
Nov. 2013				
Joanna Spiegel	Remembered by	Paul & Judy Selberg	observed on November	5
Harold Simon	Remembered by	Joy Simon	observed on November	7
Miriam Coffield	Remembered by	Stan Coffield	observed on November	13
Jack Dean Stauss	Remembered by	Jill Fetz	observed on November	16
Philip Turk	Remembered by	John Fetz	observed on November	19
Stanley Gore	Remembered by	Lester Galst	observed on November	25
Sylvia Serota	Remembered by	Madeline Galst	observed on November	29

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Sponsors are needed for Oneg Shabat.

Oneg sponsorship requires that you supply refreshments for the congregation or simply donate \$30.00 to buy the items.

Schedule of Upcoming services

Friday, October 11th 7:30 pm Torah study on Saturday, October 12th 10 AM Friday, October 25th 7:30 pm Torah study on Saturday, October 26th 10 AM Friday, November 8th 7:30 pm Torah study on Saturday, November 9th 10 AM Friday, November 15th 7:30 pm Hannah Goodrich Bat Mitzvah. Saturday, November 16th 10 AM Hannah Goodrich Bat Mitzvah Friday, November 22th 7:30 pm Torah study on Saturday, November 23th10 AM Friday, December 13at7:30 pm Torah study on Saturday, December 14th10 AM Friday, December 27at7:30 pm Torah study on Saturday, December 28th 10 am

Temple Beth Sholom needs your PARTICIPATION

If you are aware of unaffiliated families, please invite them to Sabbath services and/or advise the board. Please consider taking a more active part in running your temple.

Call, email or let us know at services.

Our thanks for donations from the following congregants

Garry & Pam Meyers for their continued generous donations and to Jill Fetz for the DELICIOUS home baked challahs

Our Next Board Meeting will be held Tuesday October 29th 6:30pm at the Temple.

We will attempt to have ALL board meetings on the last Tuesday of each month

Plan on attending, show your support of TBS Everyone is welcome

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