

Our Temple



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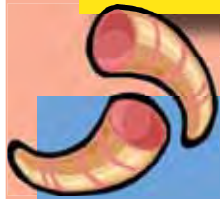
September 2009, Elul/Tishrei 5769/70

The High Holy Days 5770

SELICHOT

Saturday, September 12

The Guys -- a 2-person play starring Brian Kurlander and Tam Debolt, directed by Keith Cromwell; followed by a reception and Service (see page 2)



YOM KIPPUR

Sunday, September 27

Kol Nidre Services at 6:45p.m. and 9:00p.m.

Monday, September 28

Morning Services at 8:00a.m. and 11:00a.m.

Contemporary Service (formerly known as "Unplugged") at 11:00a.m.

Junior Congregation Service at 11:00a.m.

Afternoon Healing Service:

"Promises for Tomorrow" at 2:15p.m.

Yizkor-Neilah at 4:30p.m.

Break The Fast at 6:00p.m.

ROSH HASHANAH

Friday, September 18

Erev Service at 7:30p.m.

Saturday, September 19

Morning Services at 8:00a.m and 11:00a.m.

Contemporary Service (formerly known as "Unplugged") at 11:00 a.m. Potluck veggie lunch will follow (please email

dh@ourtemple.org to tell us what you will bring)

Junior Congregation Service at 11:00a.m.

Tashlich Service at 5:30p.m. at Jemison Park



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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

September Shabbat & Holiday Services

Friday, 9/4

5:40p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat
5:50p.m.
Candle-Lighting,
Simchat Shabbat Service
*Birthday Blessing for
September
Anniversary Blessing for
September*
(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Saturday, 9/5

10:30a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Marcus,
daughter of
Julie & Nathan Marcus
(childcare provided)

Torah Portion:
Ki Tavo

Friday, 9/11

5:40p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat
5:50p.m.
Candle-Lighting,
Shabbat Service *with
Senator Richard Shelby
Special 90th birthday
blessing for Jean Weinstein*
(childcare provided)

Saturday, 9/12

10:30a.m.
Shabbat Service
(children welcome,
no childcare provided)
7:00p.m.
Selichot Program,
Oneg, and Service

Torah Portion:
Nitzavim / Vayelech

Friday, 9/18

7:30p.m.
Erev Rosh Hashanah
Service
(childcare provided via pre-
registration -- see page 3)

Saturday, 9/19

8:00a.m.
Rosh Hashanah Early Service
11:00a.m.
Rosh Hashanah Late Service
Contemporary Service
(and potluck luncheon)
Junior Congregation
(childcare provided via pre-
registration -- see page 3)
5:30p.m.
Tashlich Service
(Jemison Park)

Torah Portion:
Rosh Hashanah

Friday, 9/25

5:40p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat
5:50p.m.
Candle-Lighting,
Shabbat Service
(children welcome,
no childcare provided)

Saturday, 9/26

10:30a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bat Mitzvah of Stefanie Saag,
daughter of
Leah & Ken Saag
(childcare provided)

Torah Portion:
Ha'azinu / Shuvah

Sunday, 9/27

6:45p.m.
Kol Nidre Early Service
9:00p.m.
Kol Nidre Late Service

Monday, 9/28

8:00a.m.
Yom Kippur Early Service
11:00a.m.
Yom Kippur Late Service
Contemporary Service
Junior Congregation
2:15p.m.
Yom Kippur Afternoon
Healing Service:
"Promises for Tomorrow"
4:30p.m.
Yizkor-Neilah Service
6:00p.m.
Break The Fast

All services are webcast at: www.ourtemple.org

Selichot, An Evening of Preparation for the High Holy Day Season Saturday, September 12, 7:00 p.m.

Presenting *The Guys*, a two-person play starring Brian Kurlander and Tam Debolt and directed by Keith Cromwell, director of the Red Mountain Theatre Company.

The Guys, based on a true story, recounts the experiences of Nick, a fire captain who has lost most of his men in the 9/11 attacks. He finds an unlikely colleague and friend in Joan, a writer, who listens to his stories and helps him develop the eulogies that he now must deliver.

This Selichot, September 12, 2009, 8 years and 1 day from the events of 9/11, we will gather together for this most moving performance filled with heroism, memory and the commitment to making life



matter after death. As we turn our hearts toward the themes of the High Holy Days, it will indeed set the stage for a most meaningful time of year.

Additionally, Temple Emanu-El is inviting all Birmingham City Police and Fire Officers and the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office to join us for this performance, following which, we will invite any and all in attendance to make voluntary donations to funds that support families of officers killed or injured in the line of duty.

Please join us Saturday, September 12 beginning at 7:00p.m. for *The Guys*, followed by a reception and then the Selichot service.

Message from Rabbi Miller



Welcome home. Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are the opportunities to come home. Some of us regularly grace the Temple with our faces, with our hearts, with our resources and with our hopes and dreams. Others of us we see less frequently. But when the great homecoming comes to pass, when Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur roll around, we all come home to the synagogue.

As a parent, we are grateful to see our children, regardless if we see them every weekend, or only once a year. It is great to celebrate together, to lay eyes on each other, to hug and embrace. For some of us, this is a regular occasion, and for others it is a more of a reunion. But regardless, this is a time of blessing. Welcome home! Welcome.

I want to temper these warm and loving sentiments with a caution about what I am hearing out there. More and more, I am hearing people calculate the value of the synagogue in their lives. How much do I use it? Is this worthwhile, especially if money is tight. Maybe I can and should back away and spend my money, time, efforts, and resources someplace else. This is what I will call modern day "usury." How much am I using my Temple? Is the expense worth it, to me?

This is exactly the wrong question to ask. The issue of the synagogue is not how much you use it (but of course we would love to have you use it a lot!). Instead, the issue for us is whether the synagogue plays an important role in educating children (even if your children are grown and out of the house), whether it provides a place for worship and study (even if you don't regularly worship or study), or whether it provides service to its members or the members of our community at large, (even if you do not avail yourself of these services).

When it comes to our values, we are meant to be givers, and not takers, generous in soul. Others, not necessarily the users, provided us with a Jewish education, a place to become Bar Mitzvah, a place to bury our dead and stand with bride and groom. Either we believe that this is valuable and we support it as givers, or we turn away and engage in "usury"!

This year, we ask God to be gracious and giving to us. Let us return God's favor to our Temple and community.

Be blessed all year.

Rabbi Jonathan Miller

Erev Rosh Hashanah Service will start at 7:30p.m. This change is by recommendation of the Ritual Committee.

High Holy Days Babysitting

Please check the temple website:
www.ourtemple.org

to get the information you need for babysitting during the High Holy Days. Parents must complete and mail a form to register their child(ren) for babysitting during our High Holy Day services.

Babysitting is available for children
18 months - 6 years of age.

Don't Miss Out On Temple Emanu-El's

**BINGO BASH
with Fabulous Prizes**

**Sunday November 15
5:00-7:00p.m.**

Abroms Hall: Adults
Weil Hall: Children ages 5-12

\$36/per family and \$25/individual
Includes dinner and one BINGO card per person
Additional Cards will be on sale for \$5
Cash bar

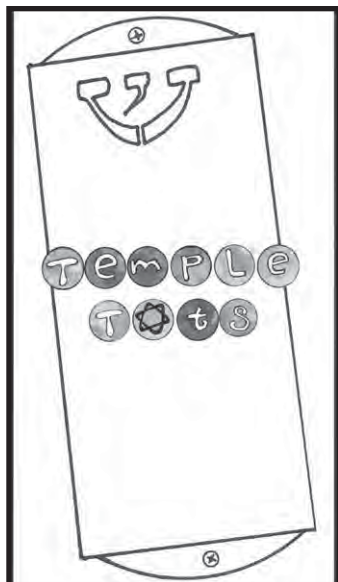
*Babysitting will be provided
for children under 5.*

*Your check is your
reservation! Please let us
hear from you by
November 1.*

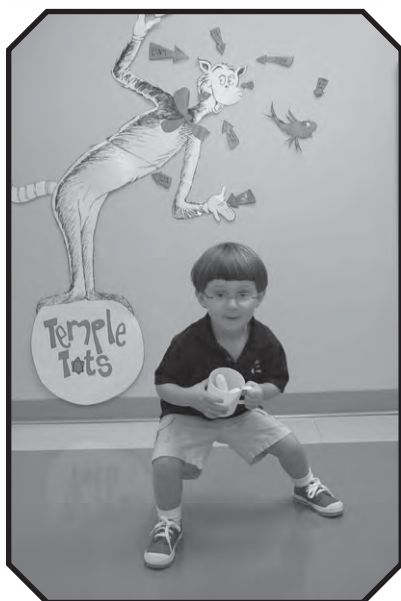


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Summer happenings at Temple Tots!!!



SAVE THE DATE!! Temple Emanu-El's garage sale!

This is a fundraiser to benefit the Religious School and Temple Tots departments!! Please mark your calendar to drop off items for resale and to stop by to shop!

Please donate gently used items, cleaned and ready for resale.

Drop-off items:

Tues/Wed, November 3 and 4,
8:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.

Garage sale:

Thurs/Fri, November 5 and 6,
8:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.

Abroms Hall (ground floor)



Junior Congregation 5770

Every year we look forward to providing our children in grades K-5 with a separate High Holiday experience-complete with a meaningful service and fun activities that help our children understand the importance of Tefillah, Teshuvah and Tzedakah.

Your help is crucial to making this a success. Please call Ms. Hillary at 933-8037, ext. 285 and volunteer to be one of our facilitators. Volunteers need to be in 8th grade or older and will be provided with all the materials and lesson plans. Volunteers must arrive by 10:15a.m.

Junior Congregation for grades K-5

Rosh Hashanah
Saturday, September 19
11:00-1:15p.m.

Yom Kippur
Monday, September 28
11:00-1:15 p.m.

Rabbi Scott's Corner



Welcome Back!

Well, just today, our Pathway to Jewish Learning brick paver project was completed. The area of the sidewalk just outside the Temple Tots entrance is now home to a beautiful testament to the importance of Jewish learning. And its due to our very own Scott Godchaux, who grew up at Temple Emanu-El and saw to it that he gave back to his community by making this the goal of his Eagle Scout project. As a result, many of our Religious School children read more Jewish books than they ever have before, more money was raised as a result of this project to buy more books, and our temple has been beautified by this dedication to Jewish learning. All told, not a bad result!



Temple Emanu-El Religious School is about so much more than just making sure our kids know how to read or chant Hebrew, perform Jewish rituals, and recount Bible stories. Our school is about learning that to be Jewish means first and foremost, to be a mensch. A mensch is the kind of person that all of us parents hope our children grow up to be. Yeah, it'd be nice if they're smart or creative or inventive or industrious. But at the end of the day, God and we want them to be mensches. At the end of the day, our children need not simply the ability to chant verses out of the Torah about the lives and livelihoods of other people who lived long ago. We want them as well to work to ensure that the deeds of their lives are worthy of being chanted. When Scott Godchaux imagined the possibilities for his Eagle Scout Project, one that would give back to his religious community was first and foremost on his agenda. Mazel Tov Scott!



Ms. Hillary and I are hard at work getting ready for the new year. We have hired some new staff, new TA's, and are working on some new curricular efforts that will only make Religious School better than ever before.

Watch out for:

- ✧ **Thank God its Shabbat! A 4-times-a-year Shabbat morning religious school program for families that will take the place of their Sunday school days of those weekends.**
- ✧ **An Israeli shaliach (teacher and guide) who will be teaching Hebrew and Judaics**
- ✧ **A New Music and Hebrew "immersion" Program for 3rd Grade**
- ✧ **Social Action Plans for every grade that will run through the year**
- ✧ **And an essay contest for 5th and 6th grade!**

More information to come.....

Mark your calendars!

<p>September 2</p> <p>Hebrew School 3:30-5:30p.m.</p>	<p>September 9</p> <p>Hebrew School 3:30-5:30p.m.</p>	<p>September 13</p> <p>First day of Religious School TEE Open House 9:30a.m.-12:00p.m.</p>	<p>September 16</p> <p>Hebrew School 3:30-5:30p.m. First night of TEENS & Confirmation 5:45-7:30p.m.</p>
<p>September 20</p> <p>Religious School 1st Grade Parent/Child Workshop 9:30a.m.-12:00p.m.</p>	<p>September 23</p> <p>Hebrew School 3:30-5:30p.m. TEENS & Confirmation 5:45-7:30p.m.</p>	<p>September 27</p> <p>NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL</p>	<p>September 30</p> <p>Hebrew School 3:30-5:30p.m. TEENS & Confirmation 5:45-7:30p.m.</p>



Our Members

Read-A-Thon Report

by Scott Godchaux



Engel Library News

At the inception of my Eagle Scout Project I was asked by Rabbi Scott to get more Religious School students to increase their Jewish reading from the Temple library. I based my Eagle Scout project around that basic goal and conducted a Read-A-Thon during the 2008-2009 school year. Students were asked to read at least 5 Jewish books and would then be eligible to order an engraved brick paver with their name to permanently mark a Pathway to Learning at the Temple.

I am very pleased with the number of students that chose to participate. Over 400 Jewish books were read throughout the course of the Sunday School year by children from each Religious School grade. Hopefully this has started many a student on a course of Jewish reading and continuing Jewish education.

Once the reading part of the project was completed in April, I embarked upon the ordering of the bricks, construction planning, and building segment of my Eagle Scout Project. I am happy to announce that as of July 22, thirty bricks for a total of thirty nine childrens' names now comprise a Pathway to Learning right outside the Sunday School pick up entrance at the Temple.

Now that the project has come to a close, I realize it really does take a village to raise childrens' awareness- there were so many people involved in the success of this project. I think the project was a complete success--the original goal of more students reading Jewish literature was met, and there is a beautiful segment of engraved bricks to forever commemorate their devotion to reading on a Pathway to Learning!

Using the Temple Website

Come join Temple Emanu-El member, Stuart Capper, **Thursday, October 15 from 10:30-11:30a.m.** and learn how to navigate the Temple web site. This will be a session that will not only be fun and entertaining, but also help you to be able to pull up the monthly bulletins, tune in to our web cast of services and download forms to sign up for events or send in donations. This will give you the information you need so you can jump into the paperless world. To reserve your spot and let us know to expect you email tulgrad@charter.net or call 967-0439.

Birmingham Hospitality Network needs YOU!

We need help with the August rotation of BHN at TEE which runs August 30-September 6, 2009:

Sunday, August 30 at 7:00a.m.

Help moving beds from
Baptist Church of the Covenant

Sunday, August 30 at 4:30p.m.

Help setting up beds and tables

August 30-September 6

one or two people to supply breakfast foods

one or two people to supply lunch foods

each night a sleepover volunteer

each night someone or a group to provide dinner

Sunday, September 6 at 7:00a.m.

cleanup help

Please contact Amy Trammell at
amy.trammell@elpaso.com or by
phone at 994-0771.



Thank you so much for your time and
consideration.

TIKKUN OLAM COMMITTEE

**Each month, Temple Emanu-El chooses
a specific cause for our Tzedakah Box.
Our September charity is GREATER
BIRMINGHAM MINISTRIES.**

*Our Tzedakah Box Charity for
September is Greater Birmingham
Ministries (GBM). GBM is a local
multi-faith organization serving
the needs of the less fortunate and
pursuing human rights and justice
within Birmingham and around
the State. GBM is committed to
serving people, pursuing justice
and building community as together, we serve
God's purpose of justice and peace by assuaging
the wounds of the community and by struggling in
community to realize more just systems and more
faithful relationships. For more information, please
refer to the insert in this bulletin.*



SISTERHOOD ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING YEAR

College Students Love Goodie Bags!!

Sisterhood will again be sending Chanukah and Passover gifts to our undergraduate college students who attend schools outside the Birmingham area. This project is our way of maintaining a close relationship with our out-of-town scholars.



If you are a Sisterhood member (or make a \$36 donation) and would like your undergraduate student to receive these delicious gifts, please contact Denise Lewis at 967-6875 or Db150@aol.com. Please include your **student's name, school name, grade, and college address** for packages. If you would like to help with this project, please contact Denise. We will need volunteers to bake, provide store-bought items, purchase and stuff the gift bags, as well as box, address and mail the gifts in December and March. What a fun way to stay in touch!

Please note that even if your student was registered with us last year, you will need to re-register them with us again this year! So many of our students change addresses (even schools!) each year that we do not use prior information.

September 1
Mah Jongg Night

November 5
Paint & Palate

January 22
Sisterhood Shabbat/
Dinner

(TBA)
Bulb Shop Kickoff Event

April 18
Hands-on Cooking Program

Ongoing Programs
Scrapbooking
Lilith Salons

Sisterhood Board Meetings **2009 - 2010**

*All below dates are
Wednesday nights
at 6:00p.m.*

October 7, 2009
January 6, 2010
March 10, 2010
May 5, 2010

These meetings are
open to all
Sisterhood Members

Mah Jongg Mania at Temple Emanu-El!



Please join us!



Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood's
Annual
Mah Jongg Mania
Tuesday, September 1
6:30-9:30

For beginning and experienced players...
Free to Paid '09-'10 Sisterhood Members
(feel free to join on site!)
\$10 for guests

Please rsvp to Alisa Nadler
956-2775 or nadlersinal@gmail.com
By August 25

Our Members

Notes from our TEE Caring Committee

At the time of this writing, we are gearing up for our High Holy Day gift bag delivery to our senior and home-bound congregants. While lots of coordination and planning goes into this, our volunteers and I recognize that the rewards are so worth the effort.

Not long ago, we did a summer Shabbat delivery project. We delivered delicious homemade mini challah breads (thanks to Magic Muffins who baked wonderful single-serving challahs at a non-profit price). Also included in our Shabbat gift bags were grape juice mini bottles, candles and a copy of the Shabbat candle lighting prayer (thanks to Susan Biedinger, who coordinated that).

The joy that this type of delivery can bring to our congregants is immeasurable. I literally just read a Temple Funeral announcement about a congregant with whom I had the opportunity to visit through a Caring Committee Shabbat delivery. It's nice to know that our group and I were responsible for some joy during his last days.

A few of our Caring Committee angels responsible for the summer Shabbat delivery and who are currently working on our high holiday delivery include: Lee Lichter, Janice Weinstein, Pamela Robinson, Sharon Cutter, Joan & Jack Becker, Jann Blitz, Jane Bluestein, Sandy Seton, Randi Landy, Loretta Newfield, Judy May, Ellen Elsas, Faye Levin, Pat Weil and Stephanie Sklar. A special "thank you" goes out to this group for shopping, delivering, assembling and more.

In addition, a special recognition goes to Bob and Letty Marcus, who do such a wonderful job of delivering a condolence plant to our congregants in mourning. Thanks to Sharon Cutter for writing "get well" cards to our congregants who are on the Mi Shebeirach list. If you know of anyone who needs some "TLC" in the form of a get well card, please notify Sharon at gcutter@aol.com or Julie Levinson-Gabis at bjgabis@bham.rr.com.

The Caring Committee is here for members of our congregation who are going through an illness or a trying life-cycle event. We provide a special delivery for Rosh Hashanah, Chanukah, Passover and a summer Shabbat. If needed, we deliver soup to the home-bound. When families have a new addition to the family, the Caring Committee provides a "New Arrival" bag.

If you are available to help assemble or deliver packages, write cards or make phone calls, please let us know by contacting Julie L-G. Please consider joining the Caring Committee so you can perform mitzvahs that really matter.

If you or a family member or friend can use some special attention from our Caring Committee, please contact Julie Levinson-Gabis at bjgabis@bham.rr.com or (205) 930-5824.

JOIN BROTHERHOOD IN 2009-10

Brotherhood mailed our annual dues letters in August. If you didn't receive a letter and are interested in joining, let us know. The cost is \$36 for the 2009-10 year and gets you a discount to some of our events. Please help support our organization. For more information, contact Brotherhood President Charles Bloom at cbloom@sec.org.

Temple Emanu-El Brotherhood Bowling Event

Brotherhood vs Youth Bowling Challenge

Sunday, September 13

2:00-4:00p.m.

Brunswick Bowling Center

2908 Riverview Road, Birmingham

Come and enjoy an afternoon of bowling with the Temple Emanu-El Brotherhood for just \$12 per person. The cost includes bowling shoes and snacks. Later, the best bowler of Brotherhood will square off against the best of the Temple Emanu-El Youth with a trophy going to the winner.



Enjoy two hours of bowling, food, & family fun! Everyone is welcome to join us, young and old. Brotherhood will supply drinks and snacks. Please RSVP to Marshall Rathmell at mrathmell@gmail.com or 205-297-4218, or Tom Cowen at tcowen02@charter.net.

Mazel Tov to our members...

Mark & Natalie Mussafer on the birth of their twin sons, Jacob Elliot and Evan Russell on July 10. Big brother is **Cannon** and grandmother is **Charlotte Ives**.

Terrie Monroe on the birth of her granddaughter, Sadie Morgan Kitey born on July 10.

Honorable Menshens

Joan Becker, Sharon Bromberg, Barbara Capper, Stuart Capper, Lynne Cohen, Patsy Collat, Carlotta Dorn, Ellen Dorsky, Alex Epstein, Chu-Chi Fierman, Cheryl Horton, Ken Johnson, Fred Kanter, Susan Koretzky, Faye Levin, Herc Levine, Betty Loeb, Julie Marcus, Letty Marcus, Loretta Newfield, Ilene Rosenfeld-Johnson, Kim Roth, Ina Russakoff, Howard Schultz, Irvin Siegal, and Elinor Sue Staff.

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 Dina Glass at ext. 244.

B'nai Mitzvah

Rachel Marcus
September 5



Rachel is the daughter of Julie and Nathan Marcus. Grandparents are Letty and Bob Marcus and Tom and Ginny Acquino of Spring Hill, Florida. Celebrating with Rachel will be her sister, Alexis, and brother, Matthew, along with her family and friends.

Stephanie Saag
September 26



Stefanie will be celebrating with her parents Ken and Leah, sisters Jenny and Lauren. Grandparents are Marlene and Richard Waller of Boca Raton, Florida and Gloria and Jim Saag of Northbrook, Illinois.

Condolences to...

The family of Marvin Markowitz of Philadelphia who passed away on July 4. Our sincere condolences to his wife, Addie, and his children, son Howard Markowitz (Kathie Geres), daughter Linda Schenker (Mark), step-daughter **Susan Swartz (Barry Zern)**, and step-son Eddie Swartz (Eileen). He is also survived by 10 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

The family of **Virginia Miller Silman** who passed away on July 5. Our sincere condolences to her sister Rheba Clay, her daughter, Leslie Barfield (Dan), and her granddaughter, Peyton Barfield.

The family of Edith Marks of Austin, Texas who passed away on July 8. Our sincere condolences to her daughters, Lenora Hausman (Mike) of Austin and Marilyn Marks Frey of Chicago. Granddaughters are **Natalie Hausman-Weiss (Rabbi Scott)**, Sharon Hausman-Cohen (Larry), Carolyn Hausman and Cara Frey (Jen).

The family of **Regina Piha Capilouto** who passed away on July 12. Our sincere condolences to her children, **Eli Capilouto (Mary Lynne)** and Susan Kubler (Dale) and grandchildren **Emily Capilouto** and Jake, Joe and Jeff Kubler.

The family of Dr. Edward Swartz who passed away on July 12. Our sincere condolences to his wife, Eileen, his children, Jacob and Sarah Swartz, Ryan Lavelle and James (Jennifer) Lavelle, his mother, Addie Markowitz, and his sister **Susan Swartz (Barry Zern)**.

The family of **Dolly Ann Newmark** who passed away on July 22. Our sincere condolences to her husband **Jerome Newmark** and daughter Ginger (Ed) Deason.

The family of **Bert Silman** who passed away on July 24. Our sincere condolences to his daughter, Leslie Barfield (Dan), and his granddaughter, Peyton Barfield.

Our Yahrzeits

September Yahrzeits

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

September 4-5

Andrew David Abroms
Max Alpert
Morris Barstein
Irving Beiman
Pauline Berger
Helen Berman
Bertha Berman
Arthur Berman
Louis Bonfield
Anne K. Cohen
Celia Cooperman
Jacob Cotton
Gerald "Gashie" Dorsky
Robert Eisner
Leo E. Frankel
Isadore Paul Friedman
Ida Rose Friedman
Louis Garfinkle
Elsie Ginsberg
Helen Glazer
Libby Goldberg
Rose Raff Goldstein
Muriel B. Goldstein
Beatrice S. Gordon
Ida Grossman
Alan G. Howard
Sylvia Jacobs
Diana Kazdon
Rebecca Krentzman Lefkovits
Sadie Silverfield Levin
Jack Levin
Jerry Markovitz
Jerome Meyer
Molly C. Newman
Morris Ovson
Barnard Aaron Pearl
Rebecca Rashley
Lillian L. Rothschild
Carl Schwartz
Ruth Shovers
Evelyn Warner Silverstein
Celia Aland Simon
Leopold M Sonnabend
Isadore H. Sugerman
Joe Vlasaty
Charles Weinstein
Sheldon Wilensky
Elin E. Wyker

September 11-12

Anne S Baer
Florence Hanover Bayer
Bessie L. Binder
Beatrice Rosenberg Blumberg
Eva Camp
Jesse Cohen
Tessie Stein Cohen
Stanley F. Cohen
Hal Fredericks
Joann Sachs Friedman
Adele Goldstein
Solomon Grabove
Jacob S. Harris
August Hirsch
Carrie Crine Levine
Edna T. London
Margorie Weiss Margolin
Ike May
James Herman McCledon
David Miller
Ralph R. Mitnick
Max Morrison
Louis Phillips
Matilda Pinhas
Marie Rosen
Lawrence L. Saks
Lorna Schwartz
Ida Seigel
Phil Shapiro, Sr.
Albert Shugerman
Rhena Jean Simons
Robert Samuel Slate
Ryan Danielle Stanton
Bea Thompson
Ernie Willcher
Ruth Woolf

September 18-19

Rhonda Dreyfus Abraham
Gusta Barth Baim
Mervyn Barstein
Maurice Berger
Moses Seligman Blank
Samuel S. Blankstein
Gertrude Bleiweiss
Roger Nathan Blum
Nell W. Bresler
Maurice S Breyer
Maurice Caheen
Dot Caldwell
Meyer I. Collat
Minerva S. Dalrymple
Sylvia Dorsky
Janet Dorsky
Sarah Freeman Fogel
Barish Golger
Louis Goodman
Rachel Grabove
James Helzberg
Rosine Helzberg
Frances Hogan Howton
Ruth Jacobs
Morris R. Kahn
Harry J. Kuhn
John Alan Lefkovits
Alfred Babe Levenson
Nathan Lewis
Freyda Miller
Iris Denaburg Norris
Joseph L. Pava
Moe Perlman
Bernard Pevow
Luna Piha
Loris Rich
Alice A. Rosen
Joseph Rosenthal
Kats Silverfield
Rose Singer
Rose Spielholz
Myron J. Sterman
Max Stern, Sr.
Ben Teitelbaum
Larry Weiner
Leonard Wertheimer Jr.
Bertha Yasnyi
Beatrice H. Ziff

September 25-26

B.L. "Punch" Aarons
Gertrude Michalove Adcox
Lynne C. Alexander
Sarah Allen
Arnold Altmark
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Senator Shelby is currently serving his fourth term in the United States Senate and is the ranking Republican member of the Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee.

Prior to Senator Shelby's election to the United States Senate, he served four terms in the U.S. House of Representatives and eight years in the Alabama legislature.

A fifth generation Alabamian, Senator Shelby is a graduate of the University of Alabama's undergraduate and law programs. He and his wife, Annette Nevin Shelby, have two sons: Richard Jr. and Claude Nevin.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>Our Tzedakah Box Charity for the month is: Greater Birmingham Ministries</i></p>		<p>1</p> <p>6:30pm Sisterhood Mah Jongg Night</p>	<p>2</p> <p>3:30pm Hebrew School</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>4:30pm Cocktails with the rabbi 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting, September birthday & anniversary blessing Children welcome, no childcare provided</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Torah Portion: <i>Ki Tavo</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Marcus Childcare provided</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Labor Day Temple offices & Temple Tots closed</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Temple Tots First Day of school 5:45pm TEE Board Meeting</p>	<p>9</p> <p>3:30pm Hebrew School</p>	<p>10</p> <p>NO Mommy & Me</p>	<p>11</p> <p>4:30pm Cocktails with the rabbi 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting Shabbat Service with Senator Shelby & special 90th birthday blessing for Jean Weinstein Childcare provided</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Selichot Torah Portion: <i>Nitzavim Vayelech</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Children welcome, no childcare provided 5:00pm BIRTY Lock-in & Bowling 7:00pm Selichot Program, Oneg and Service</p>
<p>13</p> <p>9:30am First day of Religious School & Open House 2:00pm Brotherhood Bowling event at Brunswick Bowling Center</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>3:30pm Hebrew School 5:45pm First night of TEENS & Confirmation</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:30am Mommy & Me</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Erev Rosh Hashanah 12:00pm Temple offices and Temple Tots closed 7:30pm Erev Rosh Hashanah Service Childcare provided via pre-registration</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Rosh Hashanah Torah Portion: <i>Rosh Hashanah</i> 8:00am Early Service 11:00am Late Service, Contemporary Service & Junior Congregation Service Childcare provided via pre-registration 5:30pm Tashlich Service at Jemison Park</p>
<p>20</p> <p>9:30am Religious School 1st Grade Parent Workshop 11:30am Kever Avot Memorial Service at Northside & Elmwood Cemetery</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>10:00am Grief Group/ Yizkor</p>	<p>23</p> <p>3:30pm Hebrew School 5:45pm TEENS & Confirmation</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Temple Tots Grandparents Day 9:30am Mommy & Me</p>	<p>25</p> <p>5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:50pm Candle Lighting Shabbat Service Children welcome, no childcare provided</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Torah Portion: <i>Ha'azinu/Shuvah</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Stefanie Saag Childcare provided</p>
<p>27</p> <p>Kol Nidre NO Religious School 6:45pm Early Service 9:00pm Late Service</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Yom Kippur Temple offices & Temple Tots closed 8:00am Early Service 11:00am Late Service & Contemporary Service 11:00am Junior Congregation Service Childcare provided via pre-registration 2:15 Healing Service 4:30pm Yizkor-Neilah Service 6:00pm Break The Fast</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>3:30pm Hebrew School 5:45pm TEENS & Confirmation</p>	<p>31</p>		

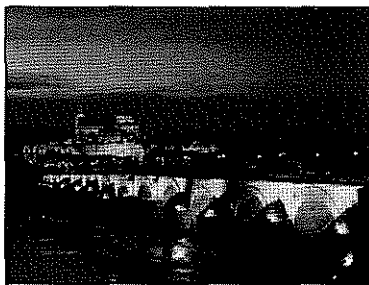
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Julian made Aliyah from South Africa, arriving in Israel July 4, 1976, the day of the Entebbe Raid. He's worked with youth & adults in Jewish Education for 20 years in Israel, America & England. Julian is a certified Israeli guide & also leads Jewish Journey travel projects for adults to a range of European destinations.

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Our Journey officially begins 6 pm, October 3, 2010, at the Welcome Dinner in Cordoba, Spain.

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