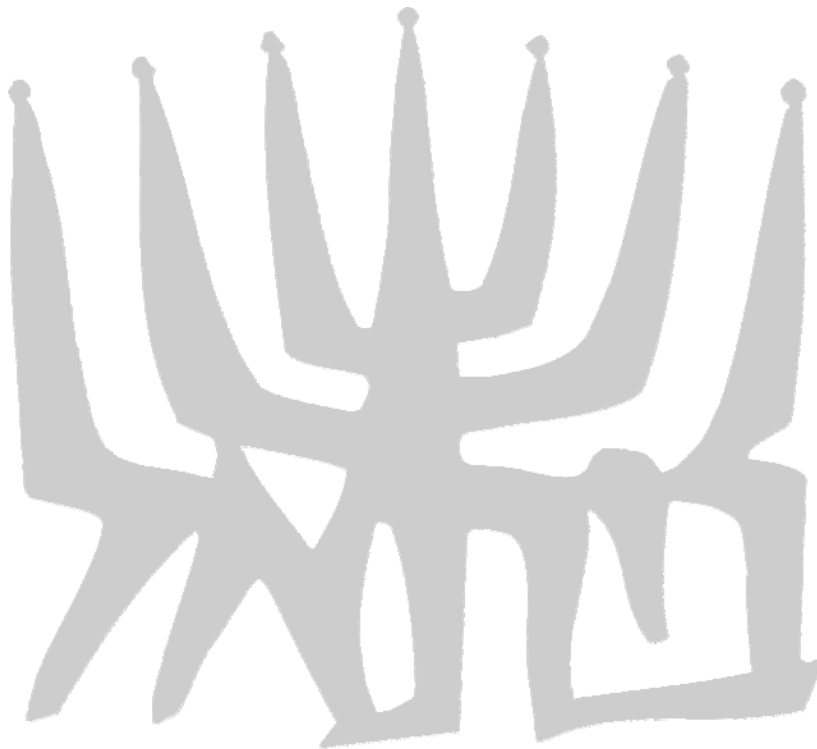


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Reflections from the Rabbi

Beginning this month, we have a new Friday night service schedule. On the first and third Fridays of the month, our service will start at 6:30 pm. On the remaining Fridays, we will continue to start at 8pm. The Ritual Committee recommended trying this change in part to respond to requests for those whose schedules better accommodate an early start. But we also want to encourage folks to use the earlier starting time as an opportunity to create a Shabbat dinner community.

Coming together for Friday night dinner is one of the most enduring Jewish practices—even in non-religious households, the tradition of a special family meal is often practiced. Though hosting a dinner at your home takes some advanced planning and cooperation, the pay-off is being able to gather over a leisurely meal with family and friends. In many Jewish communities, it is common for people to invite new members, or visitors to share a Shabbat meal—in one congregation I know, a Shabbat dinner group rotates between different houses. No matter how folks come together, a Friday night dinner can be a delightful way to end a work week.

The third Friday of the month at Congregation Beth-El will continue to be a family-oriented service followed by a dairy pot-luck supper. These have been great chances for the Hebrew School kids to put into practice what they have learned, families with younger children to participate in a lively service, and all members to meet the children of our congregation. The pot-luck suppers are always filled with good food and a time for everyone to relax together on a Friday evening.

The new early service, on the first Friday, will be a traditional service and will not include a pot-luck supper. However, it is a great opportunity to make post-service supper plans with friends and members you'd like to get to know better. I look forward to seeing you all!

Rabbi Nina Mandel



The Fun Has Just Begun!

The High Holy Day season isn't over until the last Torah scroll has danced around the room. Please join us for Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret, and Simhat Torah services:

Friday, 2 nd	Erev Sukkot, 6:30pm with Kiddush in the Sukkah
Saturday, 3 rd	Shabbat Sukkot morning service, 10am
Sunday, 4 th	Sukkot service in conjunction with Hebrew School, 10am
Friday, 9 th	Erev Shemini Atzeret Shabbat, 8pm
Saturday, 10 th	Shemini Atzeret morning service with Yizkor, 10am
Saturday, 10 th	Erev Simhat Torah service—dance with the Torahs, 7pm
Sunday, 11 th	Simhat Torah in conjunction with Hebrew School— come help us unroll the Torah scroll all the way around the sanctuary!

New Information for Rabbi Nina

Now that the congregational house is up for sale, Rabbi Nina has taken advantage of the available tax incentives and purchased a home of her own. She'll be in her new residence at 100 S. Third Street, Selinsgrove, as of October 5th. If you need to reach the rabbi for general business and questions, please call the synagogue: 570-286-1490 or e-mail her at rabbinhm@ptd.net. The former telephone number for the house will no longer be in use. The rabbi will continue to have Monday as her day off, but will be in the office Tuesday afternoons, most Wednesdays, Thursday afternoons, and Friday mornings, as well as Sundays when Hebrew School is in session. She will check and respond to voicemail and e-mail regularly, both in and out of the office.

If you have an emergency, please call Michael Wolfberg, who, along with other members of the Executive Board, will know how to reach the rabbi directly.



P r e s i d e n t i a l R e p o r t

The New Year has come and gone, Sunday school has begun in earnest. As we prepare to go to print, we are currently preparing for Yom Kippur, building and decorating a Sukkah and finalizing dates and plans for all standing Committees. We have looked back on a successful year of change, growth and commitment. Hopefully we all have taken the time to evaluate ourselves as individuals, as a community and as a Congregation.

We look forward to a year of new challenges and new ideas. We are constantly looking for individuals/families to participate in Judaic life in any number of ways. We look to you to plan our future. Suggest an activity, donate your time, attend Services, take part in educational programs, utilize your skills for a greater good. As always, I look forward to discussing any and all matters that are important to you. I look forward to talking with you at your earliest convenience.

Peace,

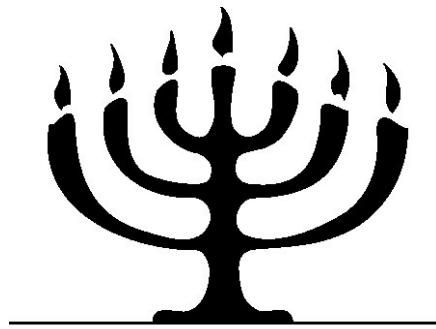
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Sukkot Schedule

Pizza in the Hut on Wednesday October 7th!

Hello From Sisterhood

The first Sisterhood meeting of the New Year 5770 will be **Sunday, October 18, 2009** at Congregation Beth El. All women are invited and **ENCOURAGED** to attend! A review of the successes of the past and an un-



veiling of plans for this year will take place. Mark this date in your calendar under "AM" and **watch your email after the holidays for more details and the specific time.**

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The annual Beth El Bulletin fundraiser has now begun. Consider becoming a sponsor. We still incur substantial printing and mailing costs, despite moving mostly online.

Send this form and your check to:

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Hebrew School Sukkot Decorations, 9/27/2009



Thoughts of Strength

Our voices and minds are joined as a community to ask for the strength to see our friends and family through times of sickness and strife. May our thoughts help bring healing to those in need:

Nettie Amdurer

Shelly Bernstein

Anita Buckler

Claire Goodman

Shari Gutfinger

Dean Klick

Karen Kutno

Lisa Chaskin Perlmutter

Ron Shane

Norma Yohai

M i S h e b e r a k h :

The traditional Jewish prayer for the sick

May the One who blessed our ancestors — Patriarchs Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Matriarchs Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah — bless and heal those who are ill.

May the Holy Blessed One overflow with compassion upon them, to restore them, to heal them, to strengthen them, to enliven them.

The One will send them, speedily, a complete healing — healing of the soul and healing of the body — along with all the ill, among the people of Israel and all humankind, soon, speedily, without delay, and let us all say: Amen!

Yahrzeit

October/
Tishrei

1/13 Hyman Amdurer
 7/19 Meyer Millner
 10/22 Rosalind Penziner Polansky
 11/23 Geraldine Mischel
 Jerome Striman
 Katie Zukowsky
 13/25 Jacob Feldser
 14/26 Ernestine Hirsch
 15/27 Albert Emil Gedrich
 16/28 Marcia J. Hammer
 17/29 Dr. Edward Suchman
 18/30 Jerome Adler

October/
Cheshvan

22/4 Isadore Oberson
 25/7 Louis Fisher
 27/9 Rebecca Levitan
 Abraham Marateck
 28/10 Meyer Silverman
 29/11 Tillie Rosenblum
 31/13 Arthur Hirsch
 Gertrude Schaffer
 Mary Levitan

Those in the first year of passing

Irene Barreto
 Sarah Klapper
 Pearl Baum Golden
 Mildred Daniels
 Harriet Schwartz
 Myron Mandel
 Muriel Hess

Remember to kindle the
 memorial candle on the
 evening before the
 yahrzeit date.

May their memories be
 bound up in the Book of
 the Righteous.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1/13 Tishrei	2/14 Tishrei Candles, 6:31p Shabbat Sukkot, 6:30p	3/15 Tishrei Shabbat Sukkot , 10a
4/16 Tishrei Hebrew School, 9:30a– 12p Sukkot service at 10a	5/17 Tishrei	6/18 Tishrei	7/19 Tishrei	8/20 Tishrei	9/21 Tishrei Candles, 6:20p Shabbat Service, 8p	10/22 Tishrei Shabbat Shemini Atzeret with Yizkor, 7p Erev Simhat Torah, 8p
11/23 Tishrei Hebrew School, 9:30a– 12p	12/24 Tishrei	13/25 Tishrei	14/26 Tishrei	15/27 Tishrei	16/28 Tishrei Candles, 6:09p Shabbat service, 6:30p Followed by dairy potluck and Hebrew School Consecration	17/29 Tishrei
18/30 Tishrei Hebrew School, 9:30a– 1p	19/1 Cheshvan	20/2 Cheshvan	21/3 Cheshvan	22/4 Cheshvan	23/5 Cheshvan Candles, 5:58p Shabbat service, 8p	24/6 Cheshvan
25/7 Cheshvan Hebrew School, 9:30a– 1p	26/8 Cheshvan	27/9 Cheshvan	28/10 Cheshvan Kristallnacht Program at Susquehanna University	29/11 Cheshvan	30/12 Cheshvan Candles, 5:49p Shabbat service, 8p	31/13 Cheshvan