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The purpose of this congregation shall be to worship God in accordance with the faith of Judaism; to cultivate a love and understanding of the Jewish heritage; to strengthen the ties within the Jewish community; to strengthen the bonds of loyalty with the Jewish people everywhere; to bring nearer the Dominion of God on earth through an emphasis on the principles of righteousness and harmony in society at large, and to engage in social action projects in pursuit of social justice and Tikkun Olam (repair of both the human and nonhuman components of the world).

AUGUST 2018

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Please remember that High Holidays come early this year. When someone from the Ritual Committee contacts you, please say “Yes”. In addition, please respond in a timely manner. Participation in services is an honor. Many thanks to Leslie Harris, Margee Greenfield, and Amanda Friss for serving on this important committee.

What’s new: If you haven’t been to the Temple recently, you may not know about our initiative to be more environmentally aware. We are asking folks to use our dishes and avoid paper products when possible. The purchase of a new dishwasher supports this, as well as making use of our recycling bins which are dropped off at the City of Harrisonburg Recycling Convenience Center on Beery Road. Thanks to all who worked on this project!

Highlights from the board:

After a discussion, the board decided to keep current Religious School fees the same.

Thanks to Dara, Liz, and the board for a thoughtful and productive discussion!

As a result, we decided to offer an optional one year trial membership at a reduced rate to encourage folks new to the area to become part of our congregation. Remember everyone can encourage others to join. Be sure to let the membership committee (Dale Brothers, Gale Clemons, and Thea Golub) know so they can follow up as needed.

The Social Action Committee is actively engaged. The Beth El website is being updated this summer. Events that we support will be highlighted. Contact Linda Kohn , Chuck Slott, or Sandi Rose for more information.

Our transition to Rabbinic Intern Dyme is underway. Please check the linear calendar for the dates that he will be leading services. There will be many opportunities to interact as he will be here throughout the year ☺.

We have a pulpit search committee that will begin in earnest following the High Holidays to secure a rabbi for 2019-2020. Members of this committee are Ruth Berger, Amanda Friss, Andy Kohen, and Bill Ney.

Thank you to Mary Handley for summer potlucks and to Ron Rubin for supplying the updated brochures and making sure they are distributed!

Michelle

FROM THE RABBI'S DESK

Hello Everyone,

I'm Ben Dyme, your Rabbinic Intern. I'm excited to meet all of you at congregation Beth El over the coming months. This fall begins my third year out of five at Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR), and I'm excited to begin this new chapter of my education with you all. As we get to know each other better, I look forward to learning from you, and with you too.

I grew up in East Lansing, MI. In highschool I got involved in GLTY, Greater Lansing Temple Youth, and what was then called MSTY, now known as NFTY's Michigan region. Afterwards, I went to college at UofM (University of Michigan, in Ann Arbor). Subsequently I worked for Hillel, and then found my way to the University of Pennsylvania, where I worked, and earned my MLA (Masters in Liberal Arts) focusing on creative writing.

My first year at HUC was spent in Israel as is customary, and that was my third time visiting, though my first time living there. Then I moved to Brooklyn, to attend my next 4 years of Rabbinical school at the NY campus, which is right next to NYU in Manhattan.

On a personal level, I enjoy reading, movies, college sports, cooking and baking, coffee, many different types of music, and I'm looking forward to some local hiking with you. Can't wait to meet you all, and to celebrate Shabbat and observe the High Holidays, which feel like they're just around the corner.

Wishing you all a great rest of your summer,

Ben

Leadership

Student Rabbi: Ben Dyme

President: Michelle Ornstein

Vice President: Josh Linder

Treasurer: Bill Ney

Secretary: Phil Renick

Corresponding Secretary: Gale Clemons

Trustee: Lester Mintzer

Trustee: Bill Ney

Trustee: Ron Ornstein

Past President: Andy Kohen

At large member: Ron Rubin

At large member: Linda Kohn

At large member Amanda Friss

Sisterhood President: Sherri Alt + Rebekah Greenfield

Men's Club President: Lester Mintzer

Religious School Principals: Dara Hall + Liz Webb

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YAHREZEITS

01 Jord Poster	2012	
04 Eugene Berney	1976	
Robert W Rudd		
09 W.C. Ward	1997	Michelle Ornstein's father
11 Velerie Ney	1981 Member	
12 Blanche Goldman		
Betty O'Callaghan		Maureen Goldberger's Mother
13 David Aaron Kraus		
Lena Raff	1982	Irma Nemoytin's Mother
14 Jessie Frankel		Dave Frankel's Mother
15 Moses Rosenbloom		Sarah Loewner's Father
Alexander Auerbach	1975	Suzi Trubitz' Grandfather
16 Robert Hirsch		
Ali David Good		Estelle Robinson's Father
17 Carrie Ney Scheuer	1954 Member	
18 Albert Ash		Eddie Ney's Grandfather
Adele Bilsker Moses	1968	
Louis Slott		Chuck Slott's Father
19 Suzanne Glazer		John Stewart's Sister
20 Arlette Lewin	1999	
21 Irving Ney	1966	Eddie Ney's Father
23 Rubin Peck		Beverly Zindler's Father
24 David Robinson	1968 Member	Josh Robinson's Brother
26 Raymond Hoffman		Rabbi Dan Fink's Grandfather
27 John Stewart	2010 Member	
29 Rose Poster Carr	2005	Allan Poster's Mother
30 Joseph Mintzer	1967 Member	Erwin Helbraun's & Anne Mintzer's Uncle
Marvin Poster	1976 Member	
Abraham Goodman	1976	Suzi Trubitz' Father

DONATIONS

In Memory of Joyce Helbraun

Arnie Kahn & Elly Swecker

Chuck Slott

Lois Poster

In Memory of Jerry Minskoff

Esther Minskoff & Family

To the Yahrzeit Memorial Fund

Bill & Leslie Ney in memory of Carol Ney (Bill's Mother).

Arnie Kahn in memory of Ronni Kahn (Arnie's wife).

Chuck Slott in memory of Blanch & Lewis Slott (Chuck's parents).

Alan & Kate Neckowitz in memory of Jack Neckowitz (Alan's father).

To the Building Fund

Chuck Slott in memory of Barbara Bloom (Alan Neckowitz' sister).

Eddie & Margee Greenfield-Ney in memory of Barbara Bloom (Alan Neckowitz' sister).

To the General Fund

Alan & Kate Neckowitz in memory of Barbara Bloom (Alan's sister).

Penny Williams

PRESCHOOL/RELIGIOUS SCHOOL/SHORTY

The first day of religious school 2018-19 will begin Sunday, August 26th with a family meeting in the sanctuary beginning at 9:30am. Information will be emailed to families in early August. If you want to receive religious school information, please contact Dara Hall at mddmhall@verizon.net. We look forward to a wonderful school year!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linear Calendar for 2018-2019 (As of July 24,2018)

(Check the on -line Web calendar for changes as the year progresses)

June 1: Lay service/Potluck @6:30
 June 8: Lay service/Potluck
 June 9: Havdalah service
 June 15/15: Kylie's Bat Mitzvah
 June 19/20: Camp Noar
 June 22: Family service /Potluck
 June 29/30: Ben's Bar Mitzvah
 July 6: Lay service / Potluck
 July 13: Lay service/Potluck
 July 20: Lay service/Potluck
 July 27: Family service/Potluck
 August 3: Lay service/Potluck
 August 10: Lay service/Potluck
 August 17: Lay service/Potluck
 August 24: Rabbi Dyme @7:30
 August 26: First Day of Religious School
 August 31: Lay services @7:30 (Family)
 September 7: Lay services
 September 9: Erev Rosh Hashanah @ 8:00
 September 10: Rosh Hashanah@10:00 /Tashlich
 September 14:Rabbi Dyme
 September 16: Yizkor service @ 1:00
 September 18: Yom Kippur: Kol Neidrei @ 8:00
 September 19: Yom Kippur 10-1 /resume @ 3:00
 September 21: Lay service @ 7:30
 September 23: Religious School Sukkot
 September 28: Pizza in the Hut/Lay service
 October 5 : Rabbi Dyme: Community Awareness
 October 12: Lay service
 October 19: Lay service
 October 26: Lay service (Family)
 November 2: Rabbi Dyme
 November 4: Chili Cook-off
 November 9: Rabbi Dyme
 November 11: Global Day of Jewish Learning
 November 17: Lay services
 November 24: Lay services
 November 25: No Religious School
 November 30: Rabbi Dyme (Family)
 December 2: Chanukah Dinner / First night
 December 7: Lay services
 December 9: Religious School Chanukah
 December 21: Rabbi Dyme
 December 23: No Religious School
 December 28: Lay services (Family)
 December 30: No Religious School

January 4: Rabbi Dyme
 January 11: Lay services
 January 18: Rabbi Dyme
 January 19: Interfaith Dinner
 January 20: RS Tu Be' Shavat
 January 25: Lay Services (Family)
 February 1:Rabbi Dyme/Ski Weekend
 February 15: Rabbi Dyme
 February 22: Men's Club Shabbat
 March 2: Rabbi Dyme Saturday AM:
 Religious School School Shabbat
 March 3: No Religious School
 March 8: Lay Services
 March 15: Rabbi Dyme
 March 17: RS Purim
 March 22: Lay Services
 March 24: No Religious School
 March 29: Rabbi Dyme
 April 5: Lay service
 April 12: Lay Service
 April 19: Rabbi Dyme :1st seder
 April 21: No Religious School.
 April 28: RS Hashoah Com.
 May 3: Sisterhood Shabbat
 May 10: Rabbi Dyme
 May 12: No Religious School
 May 19: Last day of RS
 May 24: Rabbi Dyme (Family)
 June 1: Rabbi Dyme /Confirmation October
 June 7: Lay service / Shavuot

Religious School: Aug. 26, 2018
 through May 19, 2019 unless noted.
 Schedule SHORTY Shabbat(s)
 Schedule extra Sisterhood Shabbats

Schedule
 other events when determined.

PJ Library

PJ Library is a program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation, made possible through partnerships with philanthropists and local Jewish organizations. Sign up today if you haven't already. Check out PJ Our Way for 9-11 year olds.



Personal and hygiene items for Residents (adult women and children of all ages)

- shampoo/conditioner (full size)
- body wash/lotion (full size)
- diapers/pull ups (size 3,4,5,6)
- diaper rash cream/baby wipes
- shaving cream
- baby shampoo/oil/lotion/bath soap
- night clothes (all sizes)
- first aid supplies kits
- tweezers
- brushes/combs
- rubber mattress covers
- children's coloring books
- winter or rain boots (all sizes)
- handmade blankets/quilts
- winter hats/gloves (adults)
- eye masks
- deodorant
- bras (all sizes)
- manicure sets
- antibiotic ointment, alcohol, peroxide)
- flip flop/slippers (all sizes)
- maxi pads/tampons
- underwear (all sizes)
- sunglasses (children and adults)
- sunscreen
- adult coloring books
- journals
- 2016 calendars
- alarm clocks
- umbrellas

First Step

2016

Wish List



Shelter Supplies

- 13 Gallon and 30 gallon trash Bags
- bleach/no chlorine bleach
- dish detergent
- liquid hand soap
- towels/bath rugs
- shower curtains/liners
- twin size quilts, comforters and sheet sets
- sponges/Mr. Clean Erasers
- fabric softener
- wheeled storage bins with drawers
- bathroom/toilet cleaners
- disposable gloves
- coffee makers
- Clorox or Lysol wipes
- hand sanitizer
- laundry stain remover
- under bed plastic storage containers
- laundry detergent (HE) sensitive skin
- toilet paper/paper towels
- new bed pillows
- wet and dry swiffers
- laundry baskets/bags

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Food

- shelf stable milk
- cereal
- crackers
- mayonnaise
- jelly
- canned fruit
- sugar/artificial sweetener
- canned chicken/tuna/other meats
- cookies/graham crackers/granola bars
- spaghetti sauce
- juice (bottles, packets, and boxes)
- raisins/dried fruits
- cool aide/crystal light drink packets
- boxed meals (i.e. hamburger helper)
- coffee (ground)
- bottles of water/Gatorade
- flour and spices
- baking powder/baking soda
- powdered creamer
- coffee filters (cylinder)
- hot chocolate mix
- Fresh fruit (oranges/apples)
- cooking oil
- canned soup/canned pasta
- tea bags
- cake/brownie mixes, icing
- pudding and Jello-cups
- packaged snack crackers

Gift Cards

At times First Step residents need things that First Step does not have (examples: perishable food, specific clothing and shoes for a job, gas to get to work or appointments, etc.) . Gift cards are used when there are no other community resources to provide the items.

- Dollar General
- Food Lion
- Roses
- Wal-Mart
- Ross
- Gas Stations
- Hair Salons
- Shoe Stores

House Warming Items

Small household items for residents moving into new apartments/homes.

- Electric pump air mattresses
- sheets and towels
- measuring cups/spoons
- dishes/cups/mugs/utensils
- can openers/spatulas
- pots/pans/bowls
- small appliances
- shower curtains/rings
- strollers/pack-in-plays

Office Supplies

- batteries (AAA,AA,C and D)
- lined pads of paper/journals/ notepads/notebooks
- business envelopes/stamps
- permanent markers



First Step

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AUGUST 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
11am Jerry Minskoff unveiling - Beth El cemetery					6:30pm Potluck at 6:30pm; Lay services at 7:30pm	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
					6:30pm Potluck at 6:30pm; Lay services at 7:30pm	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
					6:30pm Last summer potluck at 6:30pm; Lay services led by choir at 7:30pm	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
12:30pm SHORTY MEETING	6:30pm Board Meeting				7:30 Rabbinic Intern Dyme leads services	
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
9:30am First day of religious school. Parent meeting at 9:30am					7pm Children's prelude ~ Lay services at 7:30pm	