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Pro-Palestinian group accused of collecting data on US college students

(JNS.org/JTA) The pro-Palestinian college campus group, Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP), has allegedly been collecting lists of Jewish students and their dorm addresses on North American campuses, an Israeli news outlet reported.

The SJP activity was revealed August 16 in the Knesset in a report to the Israeli Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, raising fears that Jewish students in North America might be targeted for their religion or pro-Israel views, according to Army radio. The

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Shana Tova from the Jewish Federation of San Antonio

Welcome to the 2016 (5776-5777) High Holiday issue of the Jewish Journal of San Antonio, a publication of the Jewish Federation of San Antonio. A special section has been included to help you plan for the upcoming High Holidays.

- Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) begins at sundown on October 2 through October 4.
- Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) begins at sundown on October 11.

In this issue you will find a listing of High Holiday services, words of wisdom for our community rabbis and information on some of the many pre-High Holiday events hosted by area congregations and community organizations.

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JCC employee Carrie Guzman greets members and visitors at the Central Information Desk.
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All materials submitted after this date will be considered for the following issue.

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- Photos - Email high resolution images (300 dpi) in jpg attachments only.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS: SEPTEMBER 2016

Beginning in October: The Journal’s Community Calendar will be moving online and can be found 24/7 at www.jfsatx.org.
Simply click on “Community Calendar” for a comprehensive listing of Jewish community events.
Submissions for consideration may be emailed to Caitlyn Strayer at strayerc@jfsatx.org.

September 1
• JNetSA with Bobby Epstein, Ferrari Dealership, 6:30 p.m.
• The Foreigner, The Vex, 7:30 p.m.

September 3
• Shabbat Lunch Havurah, Temple Beth-El, 11:45 a.m.
• The Foreigner, The Vex, 8 p.m.

September 4
• The Foreigner, The Vex, 2:30 p.m.

September 5
• Labor Day

September 6
• Board Meeting, Temple Beth-El, 7 p.m.

September 8
• Brews & Schmooze, Agudas Achim, 5 p.m.
• Sips & Sweets with Amy Kritzer, The Campus, 7 p.m.
• YAD Happy Hour, Cover 3, 7 p.m.
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• JFSA Board Meeting, The Campus, 7 p.m.

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• Moonlight Supper Club, Agudas Achim, 7 p.m.

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Now is the time to experience the purpose of Elul

This year the month of September corresponds almost exactly with the Hebrew month of Elul. Elul is the month prior to the month of Tishrei in which we celebrate the High Holidays, and it is our preparatory month. Elul is the month in which we get ourselves ready to leave the current year behind in peace and embrace the New Year with intention and hope.

I apologize in advance if I have written this before, but I continue to be amazed with the brilliance of the Jewish liturgical calendar. The rabbis devised the Hebrew calendar with a period of time, the month of Elul that focuses us on the concepts of teshuvah (repentance), tzedakah (righteousness) and tefilah (prayer or experience with God). When I had the privilege of being an educator for the Melton Adult Mini School, I loved teaching about this time of year. I told my students that "this is it." This is the important month. We should not start thinking of these concepts when we are sitting in shul on the first day or Rosh Ha'Shanah. By that time, we should have already contemplated the year past and the year ahead and the way in which we carried ourselves. I always likened it to the cooking process some of us do for the holidays. If you are anything like I am, I think about my holiday meals a good few weeks in advance and I plot out my shopping and cooking schedule. I think of what I need to do in the time I have and I plan.

If it were only as easy to make amends and introspect on our actions as it is to shop and cook for the holidays. It is not. And the truth is that a month probably is not enough for many of us, but it is a start. So, as you make your shopping lists and begin inviting your guests for meals, take some time for yourself to think about the good and the bad of the year that will soon be closing and how the New Year can be one of opportunity for more goodness and strength.

L'shanah tova – wishing you a good year ahead.

L’shalom,
Ronit

JNET SA Changemaker series highlights local business leaders

Are you a young professional interested in hearing fascinating stories, meeting business leaders in our community and networking? Look no further than JNet SA. The group’s monthly Changemaker Speaker Series features a fully engaged Jewish leader who will briefly share their inspiring stories and Jewish journeys.

On August 18, the JNet SA Community received a behind the scenes tour of Impact Urgent Care with Dr. Evan and Linda Ratner. The Ratners shared details of why and how they started Impact Urgent Care. They also discussed how their Jewish roots laid a foundation for giving back and making a difference in people’s lives.

On September 1, JNet SA featured Bobby Epstein, founding and managing partner of Prophet Capital Management, Ltd. and founding partner of Circuit of the Americas, where he serves as the Chairman of the Board. He talked about his background and how he got involved with Formula One Racing here in Texas.

JNet SA events are open to the community. For information on upcoming events, visit www.jnetsa.com, follow “JNet SA” on Facebook, or Samantha Mazuz at (210) 302-6970 or at mazuzs@jfsatx.org.
Beldon Library News

- Ten children participated in the Belden Library Summer Reading Program. The 8 week program took place June 15 – August 3. The children read 16 (or more) books from the Belden Library. Congratulations on a job well done to: Emma Molinar, Josephine Molinar, Logan Mullett, Sophia Mullett, Eddie Quintana, Ytzaak Quintana, Aaron Sherer, Jonah Sherer, Batya Sherwin, and Natan Sherwin. Check out their photos in What's Happening on page 20.

- “I look forward to our next Summer Reading Program in June, 2017!” reported Librarian Lynn Waghalter.

- The Beldon Library will host Bryan Edward Stone, PhD. on Sunday, October 30, 2016. Dr. Stone will be promoting his new book Memories of Two Generations, A Yiddish Life in Russia and Texas. There are two copies of this book in the Beldon Library. This is the story of Alexander Z. Gurwitz a Russian immigrant who arrived at Galveston in 1901 at the age of 51. Alexander and his family settled in San Antonio. His great-grandson is Jonathan Gurwitz, current Board chair of the Jewish Federation of San Antonio. This event, co-sponsored by the Jewish Genealogy Group, will be held in the Beldon Library at 1:30 p.m.

- The Beldon Used Book Sale was very successful. “Todah rabah to everyone who donated books and other materials for this sale and to all of the volunteers who helped”, said Lynn Waghalter.

Beldon Library hours are:
- Mon. 12:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
- Tue. 10 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
- Wed. 2 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

PJ Moms learn tips from the trade

By Lauren Abraham, PJ Library San Antonio Coordinator

PJ Library Moms Night Out Summer 2016 celebrated a night of decor with a special tour of the trade showroom of KBK featuring fabrics, wall coverings, trims, furniture, flooring, drapery, and more. During the PJ Library Moms Night Out, PJ Moms were afforded the unique opportunity to tour the “open to designers only” facility, and to learn from the design team.

Young Adult Division Chair and PJ Library Mom Kelly Klein and her staff hosted and led the women in conversations about designing a beautiful dinner table in just a few short moments (which included a special segment about napkin folding) and how to make furniture and homes (in general) not only kid friendly, but design friendly, and guest friendly.

Klein shared her love for Tikkun Olam, helping to repair the world, through family, female empowerment, Judaism, and helping others to “harmonize their homes.” She also discussed how her son Oscar’s subscription to PJ Library books has aided in reinvigorating her family’s Jewish journey. Our PJ Library moms were equally inspired and enjoyed touring the showroom, meeting new people and learning tips, noshing, and catching up! For more information about PJ Library, go to PJ Library San Antonio on Facebook.

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Jane Weitzman to speak at Women’s Philanthropy event

The Pomegranate Society of the Jewish Federation is pleased to welcome Jane Weitzman, national philanthropist and co-founder of Stuart Weitzman shoes to our community on Thursday, Sept. 15.

The Soul to Sole event is open to all women in the community, with a special VIP Champagne with Jane pre-reception reserved for members of the Pomegranate and Lion of Judah giving societies. The VIP pre-reception begins at 6 p.m. with the dessert and program open to all women beginning at 7 p.m.

Jane will share stories of her lifelong work and dedication to the JDC-the Joint Distribution Committee, one of the key agency partners of JFNA. She will also share her passion for beautiful shoes and art and sign copies of her recent book, Art and Sole.

Tickets are $54 for the 6 p.m. VIP dinner reception, dessert and program, and $36 for the 7 p.m. dessert and program. A minimum gift of $180 to the 2016 annual campaign is suggested. In addition, Julian Gold will be hosting a Stuart Weitzman exclusive trunk show and 10% of all sales from the evening will be donated to the Jewish Federation’s annual campaign.

Space is limited, so RSVP today by calling (210) 302-6967 today and join us for an evening of food, fun, philanthropy and great shoes.

Beldon Library mitzvah project: Rebuilding book by book

The Beldon Library has been helping the Vilnius/Vilna Jewish Public Library rebuild their collection of Jewish books. The library, which opened in 2011, is the first Jewish public library in Lithuania since the Nazi liquidation of the Vilna Ghetto in September 1943. The idea of the library is to promote tolerance, understanding, and acceptance. This is being done by building a collection of material which celebrates culture created by Jews and not only Jewish culture.
Each month, the Jewish Federation features a spotlight on a member of our San Antonio Jewish Community. This month, we are pleased to introduce you to Mark Ingram.

JFSA: Tell us about yourself.
MI: I was born in San Francisco, and my Dad was in the military so my family moved a lot. We lived in many places including Virginia, Kansas, and Hawaii. (Guess which place I liked the most?) I’ve lived in San Antonio since the early 80’s. I attended John Jay High School and UTSA where I studied Sociology. After University, for about 5 years, I worked in the non-profit world with San Antonio AIDS Foundation and Project Mend. Now I am a Paralegal for a firm that specializes in representing physicians.

JFSA: What is your strongest Jewish memory?
MI: My conversion ceremony and the first time I got to hold the torah at Temple Beth El, with friends and family around me. It was very emotional.

JFSA: What volunteer activities do you find the most rewarding and why?
MI: The Holocaust Memorial Museum is very meaningful because my mother is a survivor and I understand the importance of Holocaust Education. As the Chair of the Holocaust Memorial Museum Commission, I have the opportunity to be part of an organization that is educating young people about our history, and the lessons derived from the stories shared.

JFSA: What is your favorite Jewish holiday.
MI: I enjoy the optimism and renewal around Rosh Hashanah. It is the time of year I look forward to most. It’s the time for reflection and to hit the reset button.

JFSA: What is your hope or aspiration for the San Antonio Jewish community?
MI: I am very encouraged that organizations like JNET, Temple, and Federation are trying to reach out to younger people. It is important to reach out to people who are not connected, making all Jews feel welcome. I know what it feels like to be welcomed. It is important, especially if you want to be a part of the community. Than there is one there for you.

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IN THE COMMUNITY

New Outreach Director joins Rodfei Sholom

Rodfei Sholom welcomes Rabbi Ashi Gluck and his family to San Antonio as Gluck assumes his role as the new Outreach, Education and Youth Director. Rabbi Ashi received his Rabbinic Semicha from the Jerusalem Kollel under the guidance of Rabbi Yitzchok Berkowitz. He is originally from Monsey, New York and is married to Bracha. The couple has two children, Moshe 3, and Sari 1. Rabbi Ashi will be focusing on community outreach to singles and young families in addition to youth and education programs.

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Agudas Achim Sisterhood Fashion Show and New Member luncheon

Congregation Agudas Achim Sisterhood will host their 2016 New Member Luncheon and Fashion Show on Sunday, Sept. 18, 2016 at 12 noon in the Gurinsky Family Social Hall.

The seated luncheon is highlighted by a fashion show featuring Sisterhood members Robyn Abelow, Shelly Adelstein, Valerie Fuller, Pearl Gossen, Jodi Marion, Suzy Olian, Sherri Samuels, Amy Sugerman Weingart, and Julie Teplitz.

There is an $18 couvert per person but is free to all new Sisterhood members.

Please call Marilyn Karren at (210) 979-8311 or Jean Karren at (210) 341-8928 before Friday, Sept. 16 at noon for reservations.

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Temple Beth-El hosts Jazz Shabbat

As the city of San Antonio celebrates 33 years of jazz with Jazz'SAlive, Temple Beth-El will offer a Jazz Shabbat service on Friday, Sept. 16 at 6:30 p.m.

The Shabbat service will feature familiar and new melodies in a jazz style led by Cantor Julie Berlin and professional singers with accompaniment by the renowned San Antonio group, the Jazz Protagonists.

The service is made possible by the Jean and Jesse Wulfe Religious Enhancement Fund.

NCJW program focuses on protecting our children

National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) will host its opening meeting focusing on Trafficked Teens on Tuesday, Sept. 20 from 7-9 p.m. in the Holzman Auditorium at the Jewish Campus. Co-sponsors for the event include Jewish Family Service and San Antonio Against Slavery. This event is open to the entire San Antonio community.

Trafficed Teens is a NCJW project developed to help raise awareness through education about Sex Trafficking in San Antonio. Did you know that every 30 minutes, more than 200 children and teens in our San Antonio community are approached by sex traffickers? It is happening to children in all walks of life, from all areas in our community.

The NCJW project provides teens and adults with "red flags" and important information to keep them safe.

Chuck Paul, President of the Alamo Youth Center and former Child Protective Services Senior/Special Investigator and SAPD Special Victims Unit CPS Liaison, is the guest speaker. He has served on multidisciplinary teams which have rescued and worked to restore youth victims of human trafficking. Considered a subject matter expert and trainer in the area of commercial exploitation of juveniles, Chuck Paul was directly involved in the development of interview screening tools to identify youth victims. He has worked closely with the local area high schools as well. His speech will provide basic information on how the problem is affecting San Antonio youth.

There is no charge for the event, but registration is requested at www.ncjwsa.org/programs/trafficked-teens.

For more information, call Marcia Waldgeir, (210) 325-0775 or Ruthie Wurzburg, (210) 365-6754.

To learn more about the Alamo Youth Center, visit www.alamoyouthcenter.org.

SoL Center series explores religious freedom in the U.S.

In Lev. 25:10, we read: “...proclaim liberty throughout the land…” On successive Tuesdays, Sept. 13, 20, 27, from 7-9 p.m., Temple Chai’s Rabbi David Komorosky, will explore the noble ideas upon which the United States was founded, and examine the history of religious freedom and diversity from the beginnings of our Republic through today. This is a program of the SoL (Source of Light) Center at University Presbyterian Church, 300 Bushnell.

Participants will examine original documents and the history of religious freedom in the United States, the ideas and beliefs of the Founding Fathers, and how their ideas have been applied and interpreted. What does the future of religious freedom look like from our place in history? Tuition is $35.

The SoL (Source of Light) Center at University Presbyterian Church is an interfaith education center for adults who seek to explore the full dimensions of life and faith in the spirit of respectful curiosity. The public is invited and may register in advance at (210) 732-9977 or at www.upscsa.org/registration.

Mazel Tov to my granddaughter, Caroline Mendelsohn, on making Aliyah to Israel.

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Hillel San Antonio kicks off a new school year

Hillel San Antonio has a number of events planned for the upcoming semester including a Back to School BBQ, Shabbat dinners, Students in the Sukkah, as well as organizing a team for the Kosher BBQ Championship. Hillel San Antonio serves all colleges and universities in town including UTSA, Trinity, Incarnate Word, San Antonio College, and the UT Health Science Center.

If you know of any Jewish students in town, please contact Natalie Steiner, our Student Life Coordinator, at (713) 628-9555 or e-mail her at Natalie@HillelSA.org. Find us on Facebook at Hillel San Antonio, and visit the website at HillelSA.org.

If you’re interested in supporting Hillel, please contact Alan Yanelson, the Community Coordinator, at (210) 201-5397 or at AYancelson@HillelSA.org.

The Mega Challah Bake women’s event comes to San Antonio

San Antonio Jewish Women are invited to join in the fun on Thursday, Sept. 22 at the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Jewish Campus for the first ever community-wide Pre-Rosh Hashanah Mega Challah Bake. Women of all ages from all Jewish organizations are invited to participate in the evening for $18.

Attendees will have the opportunity to experience an evening filled with unity, learning, inspiration and fun as they knead and braid their Challah bread. Giveaways, Challah ingredients, food, wine, and entertainment will fill the evening, and guests will leave with Challah that is ready to be bake in their ovens, just in time for Shabbat. Please RSVP on the Facebook event page “Mega Challah Bake SA”, and then register and purchase your seat on the Mega Challah Bake website: MegaChallahSA.com.

Space is limited. For more information, opportunities for sponsorship or volunteer positions, please call (210) 302-6970 or (210) 363-3210.

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Notable Jewish speakers visit to the JCC

On Tuesday, Sept. 6, Danny Siegel will lead a free Mitzvah Meet-up geared toward students in third through seventh grades and their families. Since 1962, Siegel has lectured in hundreds of communities, most notably about how to engage youth in tzedakah and Tikkun Olam (fixing the world).

“This gathering will offer students who are preparing for their Bar Mitzvah an opportunity to think about how they can have a positive impact on their community,” JCC Director of Jewish Journeys Rachel Rustin said.

For more information, please contact Rachel at rustinr@jcc-sa.org or (210) 302-6969.

On Thursday, Sept. 15, Robbie Waisman, a Holocaust Survivor and one of the “Boys of Buchenwald” will be at the JCC for a special free speaking event. A resident of Canada, Mr. Waisman is active with the Vancouver Holocaust Education Center, Open Hearts – Closed Doors: The War Orphans Project, and was an honorary witness to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC). During his presentation, Mr. Waisman will speak about his experience in the camps as a child, and life after the Liberation. The evening will begin at 7 p.m. with a question and answer session; a dessert reception will follow. The Holocaust Memorial Museum of San Antonio will be open during the reception.

RSVP online at www.jccsanantonio.org/authorspeakerseries, or by calling (210) 302-6820.

Robbie Waisman (left) with fellow Buchenwald child survivor Elie Wiesel, of blessed memory. (Courtesy photo)
IN THE COMMUNITY

“...Rodfei Sholom couldn’t be prouder that the Mikvah is used by all the synagogues.”

- Rabbi Avraham Scheinberg

Rodfei Sholom opens Sablow Hanover community mikvah

After months of work, Rodfei Sholom celebrated the remodeling and updating of the community mikvah. The project was made possible with the help and support of the Sablow and Hanover families, the Jewish Federation of San Antonio, the Fuller family of San Antonio Tile Inc., the Kenigstein family of Image Homes, Martha Serfaty of Interiors by Martha, and Rabbi Avraham Scheinberg. In honor of the opening there was a celebration attended by over 100 people.

“It was such a beautiful night, especially because of all the people that came from different synagogues in support of the community mikvah. It was a real example of the unity of the San Antonio Jewish community, and Rodfei Sholom couldn’t be prouder that the Mikvah is used by all the synagogues,” said Rabbi Avraham Scheinberg. Everyone is invited to come tour the mikvah and see the spiritual and serene Jerusalem stone-inspired area. For more information, please contact the synagogue office at (210) 493-3558.

Shabbat evening series delves into our Jewish prayers

In support of Temple Beth-El’s learning theme Question of Faith, the congregation will have an ongoing focus on specific prayers found in the Sabbath liturgy. The Worship Works series will be part of the 4th Friday Shabbat Service of each month. One of the Rabbis or the Cantor will explore a specific prayer its content and context within the service. Upcoming topics include:

- 9/23 Creation/Revelation/Redemption …the arch of the Jewish theological story
- 10/28 Aleinu- the Jewish messianic vision
- 11/25 Melodies m’Sinai …the history, content and context of Jewish liturgical music
- 12/23 Integrating holiday celebrations into the Shabbat worship service
- 1/27 Kaddish…a prayer of the people….its evolution and purpose
- 2/24 Shema/Vahavta…..the watchword of our faith

Services begin each Friday at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome.
Date set for the 4th Annual Texas Kosher BBQ Championship

The Texas Kosher BBQ Championship is gearing up for another day of live music, family fun, and of course, the best kosher BBQ in town. This year’s event will be held on Sunday, Dec. 4 at Congregation Agudas Achim.

Last year more than 4,000 people walked through the gates and enjoyed the day-long event featuring live music, an amazing Kiddie Korral with giant inflatables, games and arts & crafts.

H-E-B donates the meat, and sponsors the BBQ teams. Every year the BBQ supports a different non-profit organization by donating a percentage of net proceeds. This year’s beneficiary will be the San Antonio Police Department.

In addition, Gotcha Covered, a local non-profit collection and food drive will have donation bins at the gate. Gotcha Covered collects new and used clothing, blankets, canned foods, baby goods, personal hygiene products, and more; with 100% of everything collected going to those who need it the most through the San Antonio Food Bank, Battered Women’s and Children’s Center and Haven for Hope.

For more information and discounted tickets, visit www.thetexaskosherbbqchampionship.com or call (210) 341-4502.

News from B’nai B’rith

B’nai B’rith birthday celebration

Alamo Brandeis Lodge 211 B’nai B’rith will not hold its monthly meeting in September in preparation for the 174th birthday of the organization in October.

On Sunday, Oct. 10, the San Antonio Lodge will celebrate the event with a birthday party at the Jewish Community Center in Room 227 from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Light refreshments will be served as tribute is paid to the organization and its local lodge.

30 years of relations between Spain and Israel

B’nai B’rith’s International Leadership Forum, for young professionals ages 21-40, will be held in Washington, D.C. September 10-12. Among the guest speakers will be Ramón Gil-Casares, Ambassador of Spain to the United States, who will speak on the Spain-Israel relationship.

For information on attending the event or learning more about B’nai B’rith, contact Lodge President Irwin Barath at (210) 341-4502 and visit www.bnaibrith.org.

Get ready for Super Sunday

Federation’s annual phoneathon, Super Sunday, will take place on Sunday, Sept. 25.

The fun community event raises funds for Federation’s Annual Campaign, which supports partnership agencies in San Antonio, Israel and Abroad.

Join Federation and change a life. Volunteers are needed to help make this day a success. There are three shifts available from 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon; 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Volunteers are asked to RSVP and arrive early for their shifts. From 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., there will be babysitting for children ages 2 through pre-K, and children’s activities for kids in K - 5th. Reservations are requested for staffing purposes. Kosher meals and snacks will also be provided.

Families with young children may also enjoy the PJ Library program, Buzz into the New Year, at 2 p.m. in the Beldon Library. For more information, please visit www.jfsatx.org or call (210) 302-6960.

JFNA established flood relief fund for residents of Baton Rouge

(JTA) — North America’s Jewish federations are seeking donations to assist the Jewish Federation of Greater Baton Rouge in providing relief to victims of flooding that has devastated southern Louisiana.

Relentless rains and high waters in August claimed many lives and damaged or destroyed tens of thousands of homes. Staff members from the Baton Rouge Jewish Federation and many from the local Jewish community were among those forced to flee their homes. In response, Jewish communities have established a fund to assist those affected.

In East Baton Rouge, a deputy carries the child of a fellow deputy to safety during heavy flooding, Aug. 12, 2016. (East Baton Rouge Sheriff’s Office, via Facebook)

Federations of North America has established the Baton Rouge Flood Relief Fund. One hundred percent of donations made through the relief fund will go to the Baton Rouge Flood Relief Fund.

For more information, visit JewishFederations.org.

Available!

The Campus of the San Antonio Jewish Community has space available to rent, ranging from intimate conference rooms for 10 to the perfect location for your wedding reception of 300.

Contact Aaron Morris, 210-302-6801 or morrisa@thecampustx.org to inquire about facility rentals. Or visit www.thecampustx.org for more information.
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Shana Tova!

Remembering deceased Jewish military veterans

Jewish War Veterans of America Post 753 asks you to remember these Jewish military veterans whose yahrzeit (anniversary of individual’s death) occurs in the month of September and who are buried in a local cemetery. (If you know of a name that is missing please contact Herschel at 210-468-5598).

Alter, Sylvan
Alyn, Robert
Arronge, George
Barasch, Morris
Baumel, Joseph
Belasco, Philip
Brown, Jerome
Citron, Joel
Colin, Sanford
Colon, Edwin
Dawson, Jerome
Eisenberg, Joe
Eisenbruch, Alfred
Friedma, Stephen
Gale, Louis
Gold, Arnold
Goldberg, David
Gorelick, Jack
Gosser, Sam
Greenstein, Marcus
Harris, Abner
Kamin, Peter
Kunody, Leonard
Levit, Abe
Levy, Ernest
Levy, Ruben
Meyerson, Kenneth
Miller, A
Miller, Marvin
Miller, Stanley
Nisenfield, Arthur
Novy, Harry
Nussbaum, Henry
Puliet, Abe
Rappaport, Bernard
Ratner, Jake
Rena, Alexander
Rice, Floyd
Riklin, Sam
Rosenthal, Edward
Rublee, Charles
Safir, Nathan
Sanders, Irving
Schanzer, Stephan
Schwartz, Seymour
Segal, Isadore
Shwiff, Myron
Sidorsky, Abraham
Siegal, Herbert
Siegal, Sylvan
Smith, Philip
Standley, Arthur
Stapp, Tommie
Strum, Albert
Tanenbaum, Joe
Welch, Darrell
Zylberfden, Michael

On Sunday, Sept. 28, the Jewish War Veterans (JWV) Post 753 will host its monthly meeting at 9 a.m. at the Jewish Campus, Room 227 (changed from usual room 277). Dana Guillory with Team Red, White and Blue will be the guest speaker. Team Red, White and Blue is an organization whose mission is to enrich lives of America’s veterans by connecting them to their communities as they return from combat and settle into civilian life.

A light breakfast will be served followed by the post monthly business meeting. The event is free and is open to anyone who is interested. For further details, contact post commander Floyd Williams at (210) 792-0078.

The San Antonio post is always on the lookout for a few women and men to join the post.

You do not have to serve in a war to be eligible to join; as long as one has served 30 days in any branch of the U.S. armed forces and received an honorable discharge one is eligible to join.

Active duty service people are encouraged to join the post; as your dues are waived. For further information, contact Post Senior Vice Commander Herschel Sheiness at (210) 468-5598.
Free parenting classes and workshops offered at JCC

Precious Minds, New Connections parenting classes, taught by parent educators Cindy Berman, Amy Sugarman, and Laine Lipsky, will begin its fifteenth and final year at the JCC this fall, with four ten-week classes.

Over 1,600 parents and caregivers of young children have used this opportunity to enrich their parenting experience. The classes consist of ten 2-hour sessions. Parents learn skills to respond, instead of react, to children's challenging behaviors, see the world through their child's eyes, and talk with other parents.

Sessions will begin Thursday, Sept. 8 and Monday, Nov. 14. Choose from either 9:15-11:15 a.m. or 6:30-8:30 p.m. class time. All classes are free and include qualified childcare and a light breakfast or dinner.

Laine Lipsky will also teach four free parenting workshops:
- "A Peaceful Approach to Disciple" – Tuesday, Sept. 13;
- "Understanding and Taming Temper Tantrums" – Friday, Oct. 14;
- "The Art of Raising Siblings for Life" – Tuesday, Nov. 15; and

Workshops will be held at the JCC from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Participants must be pre-registered to attend workshops; childcare available for $5, by reservation only.

Find out more information or register by calling (210) 302-6846 or online at www.jccsanantonio.org/parentingclasses.

TASA hires innovative new head of school

Following the departure of the previous school head at the Shmuel Bass Torah Academy of San Antonio (TASA), the school began an exhaustive national search for its next leader. Following a rigorous process, TASA announced the hiring of Rabbi Dov Nimchinsky, M.Ed. as its next leader.

Rabbi Nimchinsky joins TASA from Pittsburgh, PA where he served as Assistant Principal for grades K-8 at Hillel Academy since 2010. Prior to that, he was the Director of Curriculum & Instruction at the Beren Academy in Houston, where he was also a teen and adult educator at Congregation Beth Yeshurun for many years.

Along with numerous academic accolades, Rabbi Nimchinsky has developed a strong national reputation among Jewish Day School educators as an innovative and forward-thinking school leader. He holds a Master's Degree in education and has taught adults, children, and teens for over 28 years.

"I look forward to working with our teachers, staff, parents, and members of the community to provide an exceptional Judaic and general studies educational experience for each child," Rabbi Nim said in an interview.

He intends to incorporate national best practices for Jewish Day Schools, including online collaboration tools and a focus on STEAM curricula (science, technology, engineering, arts and math), and continue building upon the many early successes at TASA in its first three years.

For more information on the school, please visit www.TorahAcademySA.com or call (210) 607-7261.

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Heintz Preschool expands enrichment programs

Heintz Preschool of Congregation Agudas Achim is expanding its enrichment offerings this school year to include yoga, music, Hebrew, Spanish, art, and more.

Heintz Preschool has also formally expanded its school hours from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Heintz will continue to have its regular school day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., followed by special extra-curricular programs after school each day including SuperTots on Mondays, Soccer Shots on Tuesdays, Cooking on Wednesdays, Tumblebus on Thursdays, and Kid Tech Computers on Fridays. These extra-curricular programs are open to the entire community.

There is still time to sign up for school or any of the extra-curricular activities at Heintz.

For more information or times of our special programs, please contact Preschool Director Taryn Bretado for this information or a tour of Heintz Preschool, (210) 479-0429 or t.bretado@agudas-achim.org.

TASA to host annual online match-a-thon Sept. 12-13

Last year, in a span of 48 hours, 114 donors have helped the Shmuel Bass Torah Academy (TASA) raise more than $45,000 in its first-ever Online Match-A-Thon. TASA looks to build on that success as it aims to best last year’s total. On September 12-13, TASA’s website will open to online giving that will be matched dollar-for-dollar to benefit the community’s Jewish students. To contribute, donors can visit www.TorahAcademySA.com anytime during those 48 hours.

NCJW Book Buddies get boost from H-E-B

The NCJW Book Buddies program is off to a great start, getting a big boost from H-E-B.

H-E-B donated 500 new children’s books to the program. The books will come in handy as NCJW members begin the school year reading to four-year-olds in the Pre-K 4 SA.

Literacy is instilled in the home by giving each child a book to keep and take home.

If you are interested in becoming a part of the NCJW Book Buddies program, contact Joyce Sheiness at Counselorgirl50@gmail.com.
In the Community: Seniors

Noted Israeli physician Dr. Efraim Jaul to speak Sept. 14

The community is invited to hear noted Israeli physician, Dr. Efraim Jaul, on Wed. September 14, at 7 p.m. in the JFSA Fisher Board Room at the Campus of the Jewish Community. His topic will be Tips for Healthy Aging. Refreshments will be served.

Jaul is a specialist in Family Medicine and Geriatric Medicine. He is the Head of the Geriatric Skilled Nursing Department at the Sarah Herzog Hospital, Jerusalem, Israel. He is a Clinical Senior Lecturer at the Hebrew University Medical School.

Jaul has developed and established a pioneering inpatient unit at the Herzog Hospital specifically for the treatment of pressure ulcers for immobile elderly patients. The unit serves as a model and is setting the standard for geriatric treatment facilities around the world in caring for pressure ulcers.

Established in 1894, Herzog Hospital is Israel’s foremost center for geriatric, respiratory, mental health and psychotrauma care, treatment and research.

Jaul will also be speaking at the Global Wound Care Conference here in San Antonio.

Dr. Michael Ozer is chairing the program for the night. The program is co-sponsored by the Jewish Federation of San Antonio, Golden Manor Jewish Senior Services (GMJSS), the Patient Institute, and Congregation Rodfei Sholom.

For additional information please contact GMJSS at (210) 616-4811.

Dr. Robert Parker, noted gerontologist, spoke to a group at the Golden Manor Jewish Senior Services office on Thursday, July 21. Parker spoke about many issues that caregivers and seniors themselves face, such as caring for aging parents, especially those aging in their homes; polypharmacy, and healthcare delivery systems.
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Rodfei kids enjoyed their end-of-summer get-together at TCBY on August 7, while also participating in a Fundraiser for Afikim. For more information, visit to www.afikim.org.

**MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT AT AGUDAS ACHIM**
It was a winning hand for event chairs Brenda Schram and Sherie Trakhtenbroit, who welcomed more than 50 participants to Agudas Achim’s first Mah Jongg Tournament. Jean Schlesinger was the top score winner.

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Our SA Community in Israel

Many San Antonians enjoyed time in Eretz Yisrael this past summer. Five of our community’s teens experienced the time of their lives on the NFTY (North American Federation of Temple Youth) summer program that traveled from Prague to Poland and then to Israel. Sixteen San Antonio moms also spent an inspiring ten days in Israel on the JWRP (Jewish Women’s Renaissance Project) trip, a partnership of the Jewish Federation and Congregation Rodfei Sholom. Those are just two of the Israel trips in which members of our community participated. Feel inspired, connected and energized by the reflections and photos shared by our San Antonio family.

“I felt incredibly fortunate to be Bat Mitzvah at the Kotel while on my first trip to Israel. Surrounded by incredible women, I was more connected to Israel and my Judaism than ever before.”
- Joy Cutler, JWRP participant

“Visiting the Western Galilee Hospital was seeing true provider and institutional resiliency in action. They are prepared for disasters and threats in ways we can only imagine. They also showed us what is truly behind compassionate medical care and evolved thinking- treating and caring for all patients as human beings, regardless of ethnic, cultural, social background. They are proof it can be done!”
- Bonnie Hartstein Schweiki

“Zander at the Mt. Herzl cemetery with two of the Israeli soldiers from his trip, Ofir and Itamar.”

“My Birthright Israel trip inspired me by reminding me of who I really am and from where I come. The people I had the opportunity to travel with really made it all that much more special.”
- Zander Stanley
Jeremy Rosen (on left), pictured with Ronit Sherwin, JFSA CEO, and Jonathan Gurwitz.

"Spending time in our Partnership region in the Western Galilee and touring all over Israel on the Campaigners’ Mission was inspiring and empowering! Seeing the work we are helping to accomplish firsthand made me so proud to support the Jewish Federation."

– Jeremy Rosen, JFSA Young Adult Division Leader

Jonathan Gurwitz meets the Elbaz family as they prepare to make aliyah from Paris, France to Israel.

"My experience in Israel was truly a great one. Not only did I get to ride a camel and enjoy the culture of a foreign country with my closest friends, I felt like I got much closer to my Jewish faith after visiting the Jewish homeland."

– Mason Hockersmith, NFTY Summer in Israel 2016 participant

"Traveling to Israel with our families to celebrate Noah becoming Bar Mitzvah at Robinson’s Arch was most meaningful. Thirty-three years earlier Noah’s Abba (Ariel) commemorated his Bar Mitzvah with many of the same family members in nearly the same spot in The Old City. As we had the great fortune to vacation in Israel and celebrate Noah becoming Bar Mitzvah we found it very meaningful to participate in the Mitzvah of Leket. The Mitzvah of Leket requires that ears of grain that fall to the ground at the time of harvest not be subsequently collected. Instead, these ears of grain should be left in the field for those in need to collect. Our families picked over 800kg of summer squash that would go to feed Israelis who are unable to provide for themselves. So rewarding!"

– Lisa Friedman

Women’s trip participants Leslie Komet Ausburn, Barb Bikoff, Nicole Boamet, Joy Cutler, Kathryn Davis, Danna Halff, Bonnie Hartstein Shweiki, Emily Petrescu, Jennifer Ricciardi, Marla Russell, Amy Sokol, Lori Stockstiel, Miranda Sutin, Gabriela Tawil, Roxy Carretero Federation’s Women’s Philanthropy Director Julie Schack and trip co-leader Michal Scheinberg take Israel by storm.

Noah, 8th grader at Bases and Inda Posner Religious School, and Eli Friedman, 3rd grader at Eleanor Kolitz Hebrew Language Academy and Jewish After School Program at the JCC.
WHAT’S HAPPENING

EXPERTS SPEAKS ON TRADITIONAL JEWISH BURIAL PRACTICES
Rabbi Elchonon Zohn, an internationally known Chevra Kadisha (Burial Society) expert, visited Rodfei Sholom and gave a number of presentations to the community on the Chevra Kadisha and Tahara practices in Judaism on August 2 and 3.

SUMMER READING IN FUN!
Everyone is a winner when it comes to literacy. The Beldon Library recognized a few special readers who read the most books during the Summer Reading program. The Beldon Library is a program of the Jewish Federation of San Antonio.

FISHER HOUSE RECEIVES DONATION FROM THE TEXAS KOSHER BBQ CHAMPIONSHIP
The Texas Kosher Texas BBQ Championship proudly presented last year’s beneficiary, Lackland Fisher House, a check in the amount of $2,500 to Dwayne Hopkins, Executive Director, CMSgt. USAF Retired. Fisher House is the home-away-from-home for the families of seriously ill patients receiving treatment at Wilford Hall Ambulatory Center, San Antonio Military Medical Center or other San Antonio facilities at no cost. Every year the BBQ supports a different non-profit organization by donating a percentage of net proceeds.

PJ POPSICLE DAY!
Splish Splash! On August 7, PJ Library swimmers enjoyed their popsicles and geared up to hear a PJ Library book entitled One Good Deed in order to remember all of the great power we have to help our neighborhood and our world to succeed.

Emma Molinar, Josephine Molinar & Grandmother Maria Blanco.

Eddie Quintana, Ytzaak Quintana & mother Yolanda Quintana

Logan Mullett, Sophia Mullett, Mother is Alli Mullett

Natan Sherwin & Batya Sherwin
WHAT’S HAPPENING

AGUDAS ACHIM WELCOMES YOUNG LEADERS
This summer, Forty-four teens from Texas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma attended the Southwest USY Leadership Training Institute conference at Agudas Achim over Shabbat and Tisha B’Av. The teens immersed themselves in workshops designed to inspire leadership skills and Jewish identity.

GMJSS VOLUNTEERS AT TBE FOOD & FUN SUMMER DAY CAMP
GMJSS staff had a blast volunteering at Temple Beth-El Food & Fun Summer Day Camp, a program that GMJSS helps to fund through a grant, on Tuesday, July 19. GMJSS staff helped children with tennis, make houses out of wooden sticks, and sing songs.

A DOUBLE HELPING OF WATERMELON WEDNESDAY SUMMER PROGRAM
Rabbi Jeffrey and Lauren Abraham led the Heintz Preschool Literacy Camp kids in Israeli stories and songs in the morning followed by an afternoon program for older kids and adults with David Abraham, Rabbi Abraham’s brother. David, a former IDF soldier and tank commander in Gaza spoke of his experiences and living in Israel.

CAMP RODFEI SUMMER FUN
The children from Camp Rodfei are now back in school, but they have plenty of summer memories to hold them over until winter camp.
WHAT’S HAPPENING

GMJSS ANNUAL MEETING
The 2016 annual meeting of Golden Manor Jewish Senior Services and Jewish Care System of San Antonio took place on Sunday, July 17. A new board was installed, the ReImagine campaign from this year was reviewed, and the future of GMJSS was touched upon. The crowd was also treated to a sneek peek of the Senior Moments musical that came to the JCC in August.

MAKING NEW FRIENDS AT BFF SUMMER DAY CAMP
Temple Beth-El’s BFF Summer Day Camp was enhanced this summer by a visit from the 9th Grade Campers of Greene Family Camp in Bruceville, Texas.

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CLOSED SABBATH
Vex to present *The Diary of Anne Frank*

In the tradition of revisiting productions from earlier seasons, the Sheldon Vexler Theatre will present *The Diary of Anne Frank*, originally produced at The Vex thirteen years ago. It will be directed by Vex veteran Eva Laporte.

“In spite of everything, I still believe that people are really good at heart,” wrote an inspiring young girl in the throes of the Holocaust. An impassioned drama about the lives of eight people hiding from the Nazis in a concealed storage attic, *The Diary of Anne Frank* captures the claustrophobic realities of their daily existence - their fear, their hope, their laughter, their grief. Each day of these two dark years, Anne’s voice shines through: “When I write I shake off all my cares. But I want to achieve more than that. I want to be useful and bring enjoyment to all people, even those I’ve never met. I want to go on living even after my death!”

Performances will be Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays at 8:00 p.m., and Sundays at 2:30 p.m., October 20 – November 13. Tickets, $22-16, may be purchased by calling The Vex Box Office at (210) 302-6835. Find out more about the show online at www.vexler.org.

**You’re Invited to Soul to Sole**

Thursday, September 15, 2016

6 PM – VIP Champagne with Jane

7 PM – Dessert and Program

Julian Gold - 4109 McCullough Ave.

Join us for an evening of Fashion, Fun and Philanthropy!

Featuring **Jane Weitzman**, former Executive Vice President of Stuart Weitzman Shoes and Jewish Philanthropist

Event Co-Chairs: Lizette Feld & Patricia Kalmans

For more information or to RSVP contact Julie Schack, Director of Women’s Philanthropy, at 210-302-6965 or schackj@jfsatx.org

*Space is Limited! RSVP TODAY!*
Hebrew Free Loan Association of SA to host magical celebration

Prepare for an afternoon of illusions, humor, music and inspiration, as Hebrew Free Loan Association of San Antonio (HFLA-SA) brings two renowned entertainers to the San Antonio stage on Sunday, Sept. 18 from 3 – 5:30 p.m.

The ballroom at Norris Conference Center, 618 Northwest Loop 410, will be filled with schmoozing and activity, featuring magic, comedy and words of wisdom from world famous illusionist Billy Riggs, and live music performed by Grammy nominated jazz guitarist Charlie Wood.

Guests will also enjoy an extensive dessert bar with beverages, including coffee, tea, lemonade, wine and beer. Plus, there will be a raffle with great prizes topping off the afternoon.

“I’m very proud of HFLA-SA and the significant changes we’ve made over the last few years to ensure this 90+ year old agency is relevant and offering opportunities for meaningful assistance to members of the Jewish community,” said HFLA-SA President Marianne Kestenbaum. “It’s an exciting time for our organization. We’re introducing a series of on-going events, including fundraising activities, value-added workshops and quality programs — the first being this incredible celebration.”

The event is free to HFLA-SA members and children under 16. Admission for non-members is a suggested donation of $36 (the same amount as an annual general membership), or an alternate contribution, if able. Seating is limited with admission on a first-come, first-served basis. Please be sure to register on-line at www.hfla-sa.org/illusion before September 15.

For more information about the event or HFLA-SA, contact HFLA-SA at (210) 736-4352 or info@hfla-sa.org.

GMJSS introduces partnership with AARP

Want to know how to use apps or use emojis on your mobile phone? Or learn how to text your friends and family or use social media?

Through a partnership with AARP TEK Academy, Golden Manor Jewish Senior Services (GMJSS) will offer several free, hands-on workshops for those who want to get the most out of their mobile devices.

The first workshop on September 21 will cover Android phones, to include:

- 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. An Intro to Smartphones: Beginner Workshop
- Learn basic smartphone skills from touchscreen basics, texting, taking & sharing photos, and more.

GMJSS introduces partnership with AARP

- 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Beyond the Basics-Android Smartphones: Intermediate Workshop
- 2:30 p.m. - 3:40 p.m. Staying Safe Online-Android Smartphones: Beginner Workshop
- This hands-on smartphone workshop will cover ways to identify and avoid some of the most common online scams.
- 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Privacy & Sharing on Facebook - Android Smartphones: Intermediate Workshop

Learn to control what you see and who sees what you share on Facebook with this hands-on social media workshop. Android Smartphone experience recommended and you MUST bring your Facebook Username and Password.

Anyone can attend sessions of their choice, regardless of age or AARP membership status.

To register and for additional course descriptions, go to www.aarptek.org or call (866) 740-6947. Curriculum is subject to change.

No need to own or bring your own devices. AARP TEK will issue a device for hands-on training that is for you to use during class.

CAA Sisterhood High Holiday plant sale

Congregation Agudas Achim Sisterhood is selling blooming begonias for the High Holy Days. Pre-paid orders will be delivered on September 27. For more information or to place an order, call Joyce Leighton at (210) 219-7583 or Marsha Greenberg at (210) 690-5759.

TBE Sisterhood honey for a sweet New Year

Temple Beth-El Sisterhood is once again selling its popular honey for a sweet New Year. The cost, which includes shipping anywhere in the continental U.S., is $12.50 per bottle. Volume discounts are available.

Orders may be placed online at www.formstack.com/forms/bethelsa-shoney or by calling (210) 599-8680. The deadline to order is September 2.
It’s our New Year, a time of reflection. A time to make a difference.

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From the Officers, Board of Directors and Professional Staff of the Jewish Federation of San Antonio

Jonathan Gurwitz
Chair, Board of Directors

Judy Palans
Vice Chair, Development

L’SHANA TOVA
Get cultured at the JCC in September

September has multiple opportunities to get involved in arts and culture programming at the JCC.

On Thursday, Sept. 8 at 7:00 p.m., Amy Kritzer, founder of the blog What Jew Wanna Eat, returns to the JCC to celebrate her new cookbook, *Sweet Noshings: New Twists on Traditional Jewish Desserts*. During her author talk, attendees will sample several desserts featured in the cookbook, and enjoy a wine pairing. Books will also be available for purchase online at www.jccsanantonio.org or by calling (210) 302-6820.

Later in the month on Sunday, Sept. 11 at 12:30 p.m., Temple Beth-El will kick off a new series called *Hiddur Mitzvah* which celebrates the beauty of artistic expression in our Jewish lives. The kick-off event will feature a presentation by Dr. Judy Sobre, Professor Emerita of Art History at UTSA who specializes in medieval Spain. She will speak on POLIN, the Museum of the History of Polish Jewish in Warsaw: documenting the history and achievements of Ashkenaz. Lunch is available with RSVP for $8 per person. Contact Geri@beth-elsa.org or (210) 733-9135, ext. 20. (No charge if you are not purchasing a lunch, or are bringing your own.)

Future Events in the Series:
- Fri., 9/16, 6:30 p.m. Jazz Shabbat with The Jazz Protagonists
- Sat. 10/22, 7:30 p.m. Havdalah and Jazz in the Sukkah with wine and snacks
- Thurs., 11/3, 7 p.m. Presentation by painter Archie Rand
- Fri., 11/4, 12 noon Lunch and Learn with painter Archie Rand
- Sat. 12/10, 7:30 p.m. Painting experience at Pinot’s Palette featuring wine & snacks
- Wed. 1/25, 7 p.m. Poetry workshop with Bonnie Lyons
- Fri., 2/10, 12 noon Lunch and Learn with Musician-in-Residence, Saul Kaye
- Fri., 2/10, 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Shirah - Sabbath of Song with Musician-in-Residence, Saul Kaye
- Sun. 2/26, 12:15 p.m. Family Shabbat Arts & lunch: baking challah with Sisterhood & making challah covers with Chantel Nasits
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**Living with Alzheimer’s for Caregivers - Middle Stage Series**

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You do not have to attend any single part to attend the others. A light supper will be served at all events.

Adult care will be provided by qualified staff. Please ask for this service when making your reservation.

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Come to our House for the High Holidays!

Erev Rosh Hashanah: Oct. 2nd, 7:15p.m.
Rosh Hashanah: Oct. 3rd, 9:30a.m.
Kol Nidre: Oct. 11th, 7:30p.m.
Yom Kippur: Oct. 12th, 9:30a.m. (Yitzkor: Noon)
Break-the-Fast: $10 per person (RSVPs must be made in advance.)

For Reservations and Information, call (210)-492-2173

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committee head, Likud MK Avi Dichter, said that Israel "has a commitment [to protect] every Jew when they are attacked for being a Jew."

Knesset member Anat Berko of the ruling Likud party, who was among the lawmakers who held the session, told Israel Radio that Students for Justice in Palestine had been collecting information on where Jewish students live, and that there had been several incidents in which politically charged "eviction notices" were placed in dormitories where "there are mezuzahs."

The aide said notices telling students to leave dorms and referencing Israeli military actions against Palestinians had been posted at NYU and on a campus in Connecticut. Israel Hayom in June quoted a Jewish student describing a similar incident on his Florida campus.

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Theatre.
• All visitors coming to the Campus for meetings, activities and events.
• Anyone wishing to access the upper level of the building including administrative offices for the JCC, Jewish Federation, Jewish Family Service, or the San Antonio Holocaust Memorial.

All visitors should be prepared to show identification or their JCC membership card upon entering the building. The Desk (CID) will also control the elevator on the Main lobby level for access either up or down.

Access control points at the entrances to both the JCC Block and Dreeben School for Young Children and the Eleanor Kolitz Hebrew Language Academy will remain as is and families dropping off and picking up

will continue to use those entrances.

This new system allows the Campus to manage access more effectively and to monitor who is in the building at all times. Movement to and from the upper and lower levels will remain easily accessible for anyone with a current JCC membership card. Those who have lost or misplaced their card can contact JCC Member Services to have a new card issued.

There are more options for parking at peak periods of activity now that there is a choice to enter the building and main level from either the front or the rear of the facility.

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**Rosh Hashanah:**  
October 2-4

**Yom Kippur:**  
October 11-12

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**Temple Chai High Holy Day music begins at Selichot**

The special music of the High Holy Days is the focus of Temple Chai’s 2016 Selichot service at 2121 Lockhill-Selma (corner of NW Military Hwy.), on September 24 at 9 p.m., preceded by a congregational dinner at 7:30 p.m. Cantorial soloist Lisa Goldstein, RJE, is teaching some new High Holy Day musical motifs that invite participation. A veteran Jewish educator, soprano Goldstein will be accompanied at this service by Michael Stern, M.D.

For Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, piano accompaniment is provided by Manahara Virasinha, a native of Sri Lanka who studied at Baltimore’s Peabody Conservatory of Music. He also joins pianist Dr. Michael Stern and Michele Aichele, flautist, for the Contemplative Music Service, at 3 p.m. on Yom Kippur, Wednesday, Oct. 12. This is a wordless, meditative service on the theme of t’shuva. Congregants refrain from speaking and are encouraged to reflect on repentance.

“Our services are enriched by the addition of our new volunteer choir this year,” said Jimmy Toubin, Temple Chai President. “We are blessed to have such high-quality musicians and Lisa’s beautiful voice to enhance our experiences.”

The community is welcome to attend. For reservations, call the Temple Chai office at (210) 340-2090, or go to www.templechaisa.org.

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**Rabbi Barry Krieger to lead High Holy Day services at Beth Am**

Congregation Beth Am will welcome Rabbi Barry Krieger to lead High Holy Day Services. Beth Am, the only Reconstructionist congregation in San Antonio, is known for its egalitarian, participatory services and warm informality.

All services, except Tashlich, will be held at the Fellowship Hall of the First UUC, 7130 IH-10 (across IH-10 from Wonderland of the Americas Mall). All are welcome; no fees are required except for the Break-the-Fast after Yom Kippur. For more information, call (210) 492-2173, or check the congregation’s web site, www.bethamsatx.org.

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**SAVE THE DATE**

**For Young Adult Division’s APPLETINI**

**Saturday, October 8**

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High Holiday events at Agudas Achim

Congregation Agudas Achim will host a number of special High Holiday events including:

- Selichot program featuring Oren Kessler Selichot, Saturday, Sept. 24 at 8:15 p.m. Mr. Kessler is deputy director for research and a research fellow at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies and his work has appeared in leading news outlets including Foreign Affairs, Foreign Policy, The Wall Street Journal and Politico. He will be speaking on Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) followed by a musical Selichot service and Tacos and Tequila.

- Rosh Hashanah Story Time at Barnes & Noble Tuesday, Sept. 27 at 4:30 p.m. at La Cantera. All families are invited to join Rabbi Abraham for an interactive Rosh Hashanah Story Time. Rabbi Abraham will read holiday books and play games with children preschool to early elementary school age. There is no charge for this program. Following the program, Rabbi Abraham invites everyone attending to join his family for a no-host dinner at Grimaldi’s Pizza.

- High Holiday Services 101 Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 7pm. Join Rabbi Jeffrey Abraham and Hazzan Jeremy Lipton for a free workshop exploring the liturgy and meaning behind the High Holy Day services. RSVP to (210) 479-0307.

- Tashlich and Free Pizza Picnic Sunday, Oct. 9 at 5:30pm at 102 Aubrey Street (at the corner of Old Guilbeau Road). Agudas will provide the pizza and bottled water. You bring a picnic blanket/lawn chair and anything else to add to your picnic. Bring your family to the original Congregation Agudas Achim site. Riverwalk access from street level is via both a stairway and wheelchair ramp. For catering purposes, RSVP to rsvp@agudas-achim.org.

- Teen Sleepover in the Sukkah Saturday, Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. Congregation Agudas Achim USY invites all community teens to join them for a sleepover in the sukkah. Following the outdoor Havdallah service, there will be games, snacks and surprises. Pickup on Sunday will be between 7:30 am and 8 am. This event is free. Contact USY Advisor, Eric Steitz for more information and to RSVP at usy.advisor@agudas-achim.org.

- Simchat Torah Free Family Hot Dog Dinner Monday, October 24 at 6pm. All are invited to a free dinner sponsored by Agudas Achim Sisterhood prior to the Simchat Torah service. Reservations are required.

Temple Chai offers community Yizkor to those unaffiliated

Unaffiliated Jews in the community are invited to participate in Temple Chai’s Yizkor Memorial Service, to be held at 4 p.m. on Yom Kippur, Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 2121 Lockhill-Selma (corner of NW Military Hwy.).

“Our Board of Trustees decided to open our Yizkor service at no charge to anyone who wishes to join us at that time,” said Jimmy Toubin, Temple Chai president. “In the past, we have had many requests from non-members to come to our memorial service, and to also include parents or loved ones in our annual Memorial Book. Those who wish to attend are asked to simply provide their names so that we may accommodate everyone. Please call the Temple Chai office at (210) 340-2090, or visit www.templechaisa.org.
High Holiday Services 5776-5777

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Saturday, September 25
Selichot Services - 1 a.m. (Sun. Morning)

Sunday, October 2
Erev Rosh Hashanah
Shachrit - 8 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 7 p.m.

Monday, October 3
Rosh Hashanah Day One
Shachrit - 9 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading & Sermon - 11 a.m.
Shofar Service - 12 p.m.
Mussaf - 12:45 p.m.
Minchah - 5:15 p.m.
Tashlich @ Edgewater - 5:45 p.m.
Maariv - 7:55 p.m.

Tuesday, October 4
Rosh Hashanah Day Two
Shachrit - 9 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading & Sermon - 11 a.m.
Shofar Service - 12 p.m.
Mussaf - 12:45 p.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, October 5
Fast of Gedalya
Shachrit - 9 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 6:45 p.m.

Friday, October 7
Erev Shabbat Shuvah
Shachrit - 6:30 a.m.
Minchah & Kabbalat Shabbat - 6:55 p.m.

Saturday, October 8
Shabbat Shuvah
Shachrit - 9:30 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading & Sermon - 11 a.m.
Minchah, Seudat Shlishit & Maariv - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 11
Erev Yom Kippur/Yom Kippur Eve
Shachrit - 6:30 a.m.
Minchah - 3 p.m.
Kol Nidrei - 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday, October 12
Yom Kippur Day
Shachrit - 9:30 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading & Sermon - 12 p.m.
Yizkor - 11:30 a.m.
Minchah - 5:30 p.m.
Neilah - 6:45 p.m.
End of Fast - 7:42 p.m.
Annual Break the fast following services, RSVP

Sunday, October 16
Erev Sukkot
Shachrit - 8 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 6:45 p.m.
Annual Sukkot Dinner following services, RSVP

Monday, October 17
Sukkot Day One
Shachrit - 9:30 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading & Sermon - 10:30 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 6:45 p.m.

Tuesday, October 18
Sukkot Day Two
Shachrit - 9:30 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading & Sermon - 10:30 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday-Friday, October 19-21
Chol Hamoed Sukka
Shachrit - 6:30 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 22
Shabbat Chol HaMoed Sukkah
Shachrit - 9:30 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading & Sermon - 10:30 a.m.
Minchah, Seudat Shlishit & Maariv - 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 23
Hoshanah Rabbah/Shemini Atzeret Eve
Shachrit - 8 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv (Hakkafot) - 6:40 p.m.

Monday, October 24
Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah Eve
Shachrit - 9:30 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading & Sermon - 10:30 a.m.
Yizkor - 11:30 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 6:40 p.m.
Children’s Program - 6:15 p.m.
Simchat Torah Dancing-Hakkafot - 7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, October 25
Simchat Torah
Shachrit - 9:30 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading, Aliyot Honors/Hakkafot - 11 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 6:30 p.m.
Children’s Program - 6:15 p.m.
Simchat Torah Dancing-Hakkafot - 7:15 p.m.

Saturday, October 29
Shabbat Bereishit
Shachrit - 9:30 a.m.
Babysitting & Junior Minyan - 10:30 a.m.
Torah Reading & Sermon - 11 a.m.
Minchah & Maariv - 6:30 p.m.

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Selichot
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Havdalah and Special Speaker in partnership with AIPAC
Mr. Oren Kessler
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Torah Scroll Mantle Change and Procession
Selichot Service followed by Tacos & Tequila

Erev Rosh Hashanah
Sunday, October 2 - 8:00 p.m.
Babysitting provided during service

First Day Rosh Hashanah
Monday, October 3 - 8:00 a.m.
Youth Services (birth -high school) 11:00 a.m.
Babysitting provided during service

Second Day Rosh Hashanah
Tuesday, October 4 - 8:00 a.m.
Youth Services (birth -8th grade) 11:00 a.m.
Babysitting provided during service
Kiddush luncheon following

Kabbalat Shabbat
Friday, October 7 - 6:15 p.m.
Ongef following

Shabbat Shuvah
Saturday, October 8 - 9:00 a.m.
Kiddush luncheon following

Kever Avot/Memorial Services
Sunday, October 9
Memorial Gardens - 9:00 a.m.
Palmetto Street - 10:30 a.m.

Tashlich Service and Pizza Picnic
Sunday, October 9 - 5:30 p.m.
Riverwalk at original Agudas Achim site
102 Aubrey St. 78204.

Kol Nidre
Tuesday, October 11 - 6:30pm p.m.
Babysitting provided during service

Yom Kippur
Wednesday, October 12 - 9:00 a.m.
Youth Services (birth – high school) 11:00 a.m.
Musaf - 11:15 a.m.
Yizkor - 12:30 p.m.
Afternoon Recess
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Avodah – 3:30 p.m.
MartYROLOGY - 4:00 p.m.
Mincha – 4:30 p.m.
Neilah – 5:45 p.m.
Babysitting provided during services
Children’s Processional - Final Shofar - Family Havdalah7:48 p.m.
Break the Fast

Erev Sukkot
Sunday, October 16 - 6:15p.m.
Ongef following
Family Dinner – Shawarma in the Sukkah
Reservation required

Sukkot First Day
Monday, October 17 - 9:00 a.m.
Kiddush luncheon in the sukakah

Sukkot Second Day
Tuesday, October 18 - 9:00 a.m.
Kiddush luncheon in the sukakah

Club Agudas Achim
Supper in the Sukkah - 7:00pm
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Heintz Preschool’s Pizza-in-the-Hut
Wednesday, October 19 - 5:00 p.m.
Reservation required

Young Couples Club of Agudas
Sushi in the Sukkah
Thursday, October 20 - 7:30 p.m.
Reservation required

Friday Night With Friends Musical
Chol Hamoed Kabbalat Shabbat and Potluck Dinner
Friday, October 21 - 6:15 p.m.
Family Dinner - 7:15 p.m.
Dairy/parve potluck

Shabbat Chol Hamoed Sukkot
Saturday, October 22 - 9:00 a.m.
Kiddush luncheon following service in sukkah

Teen Camp Out in the Sukkah
Saturday, October 22 - 7:00 p.m.
Havdalah 7:30 p.m.
Reservation required

Hoshanah Rabbah
Sunday, October 23 - 7:30 a.m.
Breakfast following service in the Sukkah

Sh’mini Atzeret (Yizkor)
Monday, October 24 - 9:00 a.m.
Yizkor - 11:00 a.m.
Kiddush luncheon following

Erev Simchat Torah
Monday, October 24 - 6 p.m.
Family Hot Dog Dinner sponsored by Sisterhood
Reservation required

Simchat Torah
Tuesday, October 25 - 9 a.m.
Service & Dancing with Sifrei Torah
Kiddush luncheon following

Friday Night with Friends Musical
Kabbalat Shabbat
Friday, October 28 - 6:15 p.m.
Ongef following

Shabbat Bereshit
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CONGREGATION BETH AM

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## Congregation Israel of San Antonio

- **Selichot Penitential Services**
  - **SATURDAY, SEPT. 24**
  - Selichot penitential Services-11 p.m.

- **Erev Rosh Hashanah**
  - **SUNDAY OCT. 2**
  - Evening Service - 7 p.m.

- **Rosh Hashanah**
  - **MONDAY, OCT. 3**
  - Morning Service-9 a.m.

- **Erev Yom Kippur**
  - **TUESDAY, OCT. 11**
  - Kol Nidre Service - 6:45 p.m.

- **Yom Kippur**
  - **Wednesday, Sept. 23**
  - Morning Service-9:00 a.m.

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- **3003 Sholom Drive San Antonio, TX 78230**
- **rodleisa@gmail.com**
- **(210) 493-3557**
- **www.rodfeisholom.org**

### SELICHOT
- **Saturday, September 24**
  - Services - 11:45 PM

### EREV ROSH HASHANAH
- **Sunday, October 2**
  - Evening Services - 7:00 PM
  - Candle Lighting - 7:02 PM

### ROSH HASHANAH
- **Monday, October 3**
  - Morning Services - 8:00 AM
  - Shofar Service - 11:00 AM
  - Evenings Services - 7:00 PM
  - Candle Lighting - 8:01 PM

  **Tuesday, October 4**
  - Morning Services - 8:00 AM
  - Shofar Service - 11:00 AM
  - Followed by lunch

### SHABBOS SHUVA
- **Shabbat of Repentance**
  - **Friday, October 7**
  - Kabbalat Shabbat - 6:45 PM
  - Candle Lighting - 6:56 PM

### YOM KIPPUR
- **Wednesday, October 12**
  - Morning Services - 9:00 AM
  - Yizkor Memorial Service - 12:30 p.m.
  - Mincha - 5 p.m.
  - Followed by Neilah
  - Concluding Shofar - 7:15 p.m.
  - Followed by Maariv, Havdalah and Break the Fast

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## Jewish Community of the Hill Country

- **held at Universalist Unitarian Church at 960 Barnett St. in Kerrville, Texas 78028**
- **www.jchc-kerrville.org.**

### Rosh Hashanah
- **Erev Rosh Hashanah Service, Sunday, October 2, 7 p.m.**
- **Rosh Hashanah Service, Monday, October 3, 10 a.m.**
  - Lunch and Teschillich Service, October 3,
  - Taqueria Jalisco, 2190 Junction Highway, Kerrville

### Yom Kippur
- **Kol Nidre, Monday, October 11, 7 p.m.**
- **Yom Kippur Service, Tuesday, October 12, 10 a.m.**
  - Break the Fast - China Town, 735 Hill Country Dr. Kerrville

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**TEMPLE BETH-EL**

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**SELICHOT**

**Saturday, September 24**

6:00 pm—Selichot Program
8:30 pm—Selichot Dessert Reception
9:00 pm—Selichot Service

**ROSH HASHANAH**

**Sunday, October 2**

6:30 pm—Erev Rosh Hashanah Service (early service)
8:45 pm—Erev Rosh Hashanah Service (late service)

**Monday, October 3**

9:00 am—Children's Service (Wulfe Sanctuary)
10:30 am—Rosh Hashanah Morning Service (Wulfe Sanctuary)
10:30 am—Rosh Hashanah Morning Service (Barshop Auditorium)
12:30 pm—Tashlich at San Pedro Springs Park, after service (with apples & honey)

**KEVER AVOT - CEMETARY MEMORIAL SERVICES**

**Sunday, October 9**

10:00 am—Beth-El Memorial Park (Austin Highway)
11:00 am—Temple Beth-El Cemetery (Palmetto St.)

**YOM KIPPUR**

**Tuesday, October 11**

6:30 pm—Kol Nidre Service (early service)
8:45 pm—Kol Nidre Service (late service)

**Wednesday, October 12**

9:00 am—Children's Service (Wulfe Sanctuary)
9:00 am to 5:00 pm—Meditation and self-study with music for adults (Oppenheimer Chapel)
10:30 am—Yom Kippur Morning Service (Wulfe Sanctuary)
10:30 am—Yom Kippur Morning Service (Barshop Auditorium)
1:00 pm—Yom Kippur Symposium
2:30 pm—Yom Kippur Afternoon Service
4:30 pm—Yizkor–Memorial Service

**4:30 pm—Program for school-aged children**

**5:30 pm—Neilah–Concluding Service**

Following services, Break-the-Fast in the Barshop Auditorium, hosted by Temple Beth-El Sisterhood

**SUKKOT**

**Sunday, October 16**

6:00 pm—Erev Sukkot Service at the Nathan residence

**Monday, October 17**

10:30 am—Sukkot Morning Festival Worship (J.Y. Golden Sukkah)

**ATZERET-SIMCHAT TORAH**

**Sunday, October 23**

6:30 pm—Erev Atzeret-Simchat Torah Service and Consecration

**Monday, October 24**

10:30 am—Atzeret-Simchat Torah Morning Festival Worship Service with Yizkor (Wulfe Sanctuary)

**TEMPLE CHAI**

2121 Lockhill Selma, San Antonio, TX 78213 / (210) 340-2090 / www.templechaisa.org / Reform

All services will be held at the Temple’s new facility at - 2121 Lockhill Selma (NE Corner of NW Military Hwy) unless otherwise noted.

More information at www.templechaisa.org/hhd.

**Selichot**

Saturday, Sept. 24
Service – 9:00 p.m.

**Erev Rosh Hashanah**

Sunday, Oct. 2
Service – 8:00 p.m.

**Rosh Hashanah – Day**

Monday, Oct. 3
Service – 10:00 a.m.

**Shabbat Shuvah**

Friday, Oct. 7
Service – 6:45 p.m.

**Tashlich**

Sunday, Oct. 9
Ceremony – 10:30 a.m. (at Brackenridge Park, near Joske Pavilion)

**Erev Yom Kippur**

Tuesday, Oct. 11
Kol Nidre Service – 8:00 p.m.

**Yom Kippur**

Wednesday, Oct. 12
Morning Service – 10:00 a.m.
Afternoon Study with Rabbi David Komerofsky – 1:00 p.m.
Contemplative Musical Service – 3:00 p.m.
Yizkor Memorial Service – 4:00 p.m.
Neilah Closing Service – 5:00 p.m.
Break-the-Fast – 6:30 p.m.

**FORT SAM HOUSTON JEWISH CONGREGATION / JEWISH MILITARY COMMUNITY**

All services will be held at The Fort Sam Houston Main Post Chapel, Building 2200, 1605 Wilson Way, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234

Call (210) 221-2754 for more information.

**Eve of (Erev) Rosh Hashanah, 1st day**

Sunday, 13 SEP, 2015 @ 2000 Hrs (8 p.m.)

**Eve of Rosh Hashanah, Second Day**

Monday, October 3 @ 1945 HRS (7:45 PM)

**Rosh Hashanah, Second Day Tuesday,**

October 4 @ 0900 HRS (9:00 AM)

**Shabbat Shuvah**

Friday, October 7 @ 1930 HRS (7:30 PM)

**Eve of Rosh Hashanah, First Day**

Sunday, October 2, @ 1915 HRS (7:15 PM)

**Rosh Hashanah, First Day**

Monday, October 3 @ 0900 HRS (9:00 AM)

**Eve of Yom Kippur- Kol Nidre**

Tuesday, October 11 @ 1845 HRS  (6:45PM)

**Yom Kippur**

Wednesday, October 12 @ 0900 HRS (9:00 AM)

**Yom Kippur ends @ 1942 HRS (7:42 PM)**
HIGH HOLIDAYS

Now is the time to make a commitment

Apprehension characterizes my Rosh Hashanah preparation – not so much the liturgical aspect of it but the physical one. At 14 or 15, I walked into our synagogue on Rosh Hashanah with both of my grandfathers. It seemed warm, but I did not give it much thought. Finally, the president of the shul took the pulpit and announced the obvious: they were attempting to get the air conditioning up and running.

The next morning it was still warm, and my grandfather commented that it seemed just like the “old days in Brooklyn” as I fanned myself. He literally seemed to revel in the nostalgia. Forget sentimentality, I was hot. Somehow, the repair people got it back up and running. After almost ten years in the rabbinate, the first thing I check is the air-conditioning.

A friend related this, and I hope you will like it. Envision boarding a train and the conductor bellows: “All aboard.” On Rosh Hashanah, we will be “inscribed and on Yom Kippur, sealed, as to who will live and who will die.” Life is like the train ride, you board and ride for a period, finally arriving at your destination. Some get on, some off—for some, it is the beginning, and for some, it is the end. Rosh Hashanah is analogous to the train ride; some new people come into our lives and some we have known depart.

Rabbi Max Artz, one of the foremost modern commentators on the liturgy tells the tale of a 104-year-old Italian. The Italian made a toast, whereupon he said, “Up there they have forgotten about me.” His toast reflects the perception of many who think that when God “remembers” us, God calls us to the “beyond,” and when God “forgets” us, we remain alive.

Judaism pays its tribute to God as the Author of Life by reversing this. When we are alive, we are actively in the thoughts of God. When life is in peril, the psalmist exclaims, “How long O Lord will you ignore me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?” (Psalm 13:1)

Depending on how “good” we are, the ultimate decision can be shuffled or reversed. Undertaking to become a better husband, wife or parent can have a significant impact, just as committing to even a modest pledge to dedicate oneself to come to shul more often or simply to kindle Shabbat candles portends real compensation. Like every New Year’s resolution, such plans often fall by the wayside. Our task is to capture this affirmation and build on it, thereby making the coming year one of growth. No one ever said it was easy...

My prayer for each of us that every aspect of our lives will be invigorated with increased commitment to our God, our Judaism, our loved ones and mankind in general. Now is the time.

When the conductor cries out: “Final stop, all off”, you can ask yourself, “Is this where I truthfully wanted to end up?”

L’Shanah Tovah U’Mitukah (To A Happy, Healthy and Sweet New Year)!
Rabbi Jeffrey Abraham
The Tekiah Gedolah

The sounding of the Shofar is one the most identifiable and hallowed of Jewish traditions.

In synagogue on Rosh Hashanah we are accustomed to hearing the Cantor’s call of Tekiah – the long solid blast, Shevarim – the three short blasts, Teruah – the multiple shorter blasts and then finally Tikah Gedola – the long powerful final blast.

Here is a mystical, chassidic take on these very special ancient and traditional sounds.

The Tekiah – the long solid blast, represents the pure soul before it descends into a body and this physical, materialistic world. The soul is pure, holy, connected, solid and strong.

The soul then enters the body and our world, and is faced with adversity, challenge and struggle. We don’t always feel connected and we don’t always make the right choices and we start to stumble, this is the Shevarim – the three short blasts.

There are times in our lives when we feel that our world is collapsing around us. We face, what we feel, are insurmountable challenges and we struggle to find our footing. This is the Teruah, the many successive smaller blasts that resemble a person in free fall.

In fact, the Tekiah Gedola represents the notion that a person can more effectively reach his true spiritual potential amidst crisis and struggle. Hence, the Tikiah Gedola is at the end following the Shevarim and Teruah, symbolizing the blessing that is hidden in adversity.

Our ability to channel adversity into growth is reflected in real life in the development of the pearl.

As an oyster grows in size, its shell must also grow. Sometimes, a foreign substance, like a grain of sand, slips into the oyster, inside the shell, which irritates the oyster. It’s kind of like the oyster getting a splinter. What does the oyster do? It responds to a grain of sand intruding into its closed ecosystem by secreting a solution, which covers the irritant and eventually grows into a pearl.

How long does it take from the initial provocation to the finished product? Five years for a pearl of average size, and as many as 10 years for a big one.

Think about it: It is the irritation that causes the oyster to produce a pearl!

We get irritated every day, by so many things. Why? To extract the “pearl”, the Tekiah Gedola, deep within us that we may have never discovered.

Rosh Hashanah is the time to reset our spiritual clocks. To recognize and harness our true potential, inner strength and inherent goodness, and transform our challenges into stepping stones for growth and blessing.

May this year be a year of health, happiness and growth for you and your loved ones.

L’Shanah Tova Tikateivu, Rabbi Chaim Block
Translating Faith

The High Holy Days are a time of spiritual intensity. We look back at the past year, evaluating our actions, our words and how ‘we have been’ in the world. Our tradition refers to this process as 'cheshbon haNefesh' or taking stock of our souls. From the beginning of Elul until the end of the Neilah service on Yom Kippur, our spiritual work is to come up with a plan as to how to do a better job and be a better person in the year ahead. Over the centuries, our rabbis and sages created prayers for us to say that might inspire us along the journey.

The challenge for many of us, however, is finding personal meaning in words composed in a different time and a different place. There is a sense of uplift and inspiration in the ancient quality of the text as well as the awareness that we recite the words that our parents, grandparents, great-grandparents and elders have been saying as Jews since sometime around the 10th Century. There are also certain prayers whose truths are timeless. Yet the settings, and sometimes even the theology expressed, can feel foreign. How then can we find a bridge…[that] gives us access to the world that generated the original text– as well as a glimpse of the experience of those who first used it. (Divrei Mishkan HaNefesh, p.85)

If all written or spoken prayers are each an attempt to “translate the non-verbal into speech,” (p.86) then the English versions of our ancient Hebrew prayers are no more than “a living bridge…[that] gives us access to the world that generated the original text– as well as a glimpse of the experience of those who first used it.” (p.87)

Recognizing that the prayers we now say or sing so specifically and devoutly were once initially simply a prayerful person’s best attempt at articulating their own feelings of faith, may give us the spiritual space we need to create a personal dialogue with the Holy One. As we enter into this season of personal and communal renewal, may the prayers of our Jewish tradition and the prayers of our hearts co-mingle and inspire us in the New Year.

Spiritual Journeys

We have just completed the book of Numbers - describing the journeys of the Jewish people from Egypt to the promised land. The Hebrew word malasey (journeys) emphasizes travels as opposed to encampments or stops. Commenting on this emphasis on our traveling instead of stopping, the Baal Shem Tov explains that journeys are not so much about where you have stopped at a specific moment, but rather where are you going in life; your life’s purpose and mission.

The commentator Ohr Hachaim writes that Moses kept a journal of all the travels of the Israelites in the desert to teach us that we should reflect on the different experiences in life as potentially being transformative. We experience life sometimes as stopping points rather than transformative growth. Moments with family, friends and community can create shared memories in our spiritual journey that helps us grow each step of the way. We should be less focused on where we are now in life, but rather have a sense of direction that is “on the way” to spiritual emotional growth.

During these Days of Awe, we should reflect on life’s purpose and mission and the companions that accompany us: our family, our friends, our community, our nation, and our G-d. We can make a difference in our lives and the lives of those around us. Let us remember that we are on a spiritual journey from the time we are born till the time we reach the “Promised Land.”

We live in times of deception and animosity, even in our political life. We can recall the words of the Ethics of the Fathers: “The world is sustained on three principles: truth, justice, and peace,” as stated in Zechariah, “render truth, peace, and justice in your gates”. In these times, as we relate to others, to family, friends, and community, let us be guided by these words of Rabbi Shimon Ben Gamliel, “Let us strive to see the positive in the world and to reject the negative and build a community based on truth justice and peace.”

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HIGH HOLIDAYS

High Holy Day Reflections

The popular bumper sticker “I wasn’t born in Texas, but I got here as fast as I could” is an admission that someone in the car feels at home here, but also a little bit like a stranger. That’s very Jewish. Our self-awareness of other-ness was evident when Abraham approached the Hittites to purchase a burial plot for Sarah in Genesis 23: "I am a stranger and a resident (ger v’toshav) among you." Sometimes translated as "resident alien," the Hebrew ger v’toshav hits on a central theme of Jewish identity: our shared memory of what it means to be a stranger, rooted in a homeland, very much at home elsewhere and always sensitive to the fact that we are somewhat different.

As a numerically insignificant minority in most places on earth, including Texas, we are on the fringes of the rest of the world. This struggle to understand how we fit in with the rest of God’s creation while maintaining what makes us uniquely Jewish is eternal, and the question has many answers. Every Jew explores the boundaries between particularism and universalism in his or her own way, and our communal family offers a variety of expressions of Jewish identity to fit many needs. As Avraham Infeld teaches, we can be unified without being uniform. There are more Jewish questions than there are Jewish answers, and that only adds to the mystery of our resident strangeness.

Our sense of Jewish otherness is heightened around the High Holy Days. Some of our most sacred days are of no matter to the rest of the community, and it falls upon us to remind friends, colleagues, teachers, coaches, and others that for a few days in October we will be out of commission. We have to run through the explanations many times every year, answer the same questions and get the same frustrating responses or blank stares. The need to fit in and be accepted while not sacrificing the core of who we are as Jews is as old as our people, so we needn’t be too upset that this year hasn’t solved the riddle.

Every Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is a chance to explore our inner selves with new eyes, free from the burdens of the rest of our world for a few hours of reflection in synagogue with others who also see themselves as others.

Whether Jewish by accident (I was born here) or by choice (I got here as fast as I could), our insider/outside identity is complex and aggravating. And that’s just as it should be.

U.S. & WORLD

Uber buys Israeli autonomous driving startup for $680 million

(JNS.org) The ride-sharing service Uber is purchasing the Israeli startup Otto Motors, which converts regular trucks into autonomous ones, for $680 million, Israel Hayom reported.

Otto, founded by Israeli entrepreneur Lior Ron and other former employees of Google, Apple, and Tesla, manufactures artificial intelligence, cameras, and sensors that can be connected to a vehicle and give it the capability to operate without a driver. The startup is currently testing trucks with the high-tech capability in the San Francisco Bay area.

Otto’s technology could revolutionize the trucking industry, especially since one in three truckers currently are involved in serious accidents each year.
Benjamin-Mayer engagement

David and Judy Benjamin of San Antonio, Texas announce the engagement of their son, Jay Garrison Benjamin, to Madeline Elyce Mayer, daughter of Howard and Vicky Mayer of Leawood, Kansas.

Jay, currently living in Overland Park, Kansas is the grandson of Sylvia Masur of Monroe, Louisiana and the late Jerry Bernat, as well as Jerry and Diane Benjamin of Dallas, Texas and the late Naomi Benjamin.

Jay attended the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas earning a bachelor’s degree. He is currently working as a strategy analyst for Utility One Source in Kansas City, Missouri.

Madeline attended Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts where she earned her bachelor’s and master’s degrees. She currently works for GlynnDevins Marketing in Overland Park, Kansas, as a senior account executive. Jay and Madeline will be married on November 20 at the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art in Kansas City, Missouri. The couple plans to reside in Overland Park, Kansas.

U.S. & WORLD

Holocaust, aliyah made Dutch Jewry too small to sustain its institutions, community boss says

AMSTERDAM (JTA) — The effects of the Holocaust in the Netherlands and Jewish emigration have made Dutch Jewry’s communal institutions unsustainable, a key figure of that community said.

Michel Waterman, the director of the Crescas Institute for Jewish Culture, made the unusual statement during an August interview published in Het Parool daily ahead of his retirement this year from Crescas, which is the country’s main organization of its kind.

“The used to have Jewish schools, Jewish hospitals, old age homes, shops. Today’s Jewish community is too small to sustain its own infrastructure,” Waterman said.

The Netherlands used to have 140,000 Jews but the Nazis killed more than 75 percent of them — the highest death rate in Nazi-occupied Western Europe. Thousands of Dutch Jewish families immigrated to Israel, or made aliyah.

The Jewish tradition, added Waterman, is not being transmitted from generation to generation in the Netherlands like it used to. “It’s happening much less than previously. Many families left. The Nazis almost succeeded in rooting out the Jewish people [in the Netherlands].”

Other Jewish leaders, including Dutch Humanitarian Fund Chairman Ronny Naftaniel, have argued against pessimistic projections such as Waterman’s, citing a 20-percent growth over the past 20 years in the size of the Jewish population, which jumped from 40,000 members to approximately 50,000 – partly thanks to ex-Israelis living in and around Amsterdam. But Waterman remained
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